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Home burglarized during man's funeral

Guns, jewelry, pocket watches among items stolen

By JEFF D'ALESSIO
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While family and friends last week attended the funeral for Richard "Lanny" Skees, his home on Nolin Road in Sonora was burglarized of thousands of

HOW TO HELP
The family of Richard "Lanny" Skees is offering a \$1,000 reward for the capture and conviction of those responsible for last week's burglary. Contact Kentucky State Police Detective Brian Mouser at 766-5078 with any information on the case.

dollars worth of items ranging from pocket watches to firearms.

"I felt like my husband had died all over again," Normaline

Skees said. "I felt very violated that someone had been in our house."

Hardin County Sheriff Charlie Williams, a friend of Richard Skees for about 30 years, said this type of act at a person's home during a funeral is "a horrible crime."

Sometime between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Wednesday, the home was forcibly broken into through a bedroom door, Normaline Skees said. The funeral for Rich-

ard Skees, a former teacher at Sonora Elementary School, past president of the Sonora Optimist Club and Vietnam veteran, was at 11 a.m. that day at St. James Catholic Church in Elizabethtown followed by burial in St. James Cemetery.

When she returned home after the burial, Normaline Skees said she noticed a magazine on the floor that wasn't there when she left earlier in the day. The

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Normaline Skees

Court records show McCarthy 'raises dogs'

Vine Grove woman estimates earning \$1,000 per month

By SARAH BENNETT
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The more than 100 dogs confiscated last Wednesday from a Vine Grove residence, where officials say the animals were living in unsanitary conditions, were a woman's livelihood, according to court records.

Brian and Joyce McCarthy were arrested and charged with 103 counts of second-degree animal cruelty, a Class A misdemeanor. Officials allege volunteers and law enforcement officers removed 103 dogs from the McCarthy's 103 Gaylene Drive residence where the animals were living in dirty cages without water.

In an affidavit of indigence dated March 21, Joyce McCarthy, 47, indicated she is self-employed and raises dogs, earning about \$1,000 per month. She listed her length of employment as 18 years.

Last Wednesday, Vine Grove Police Capt. Dale

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Cities-county consolidation bill passes Senate

HB 189 receives no negative votes

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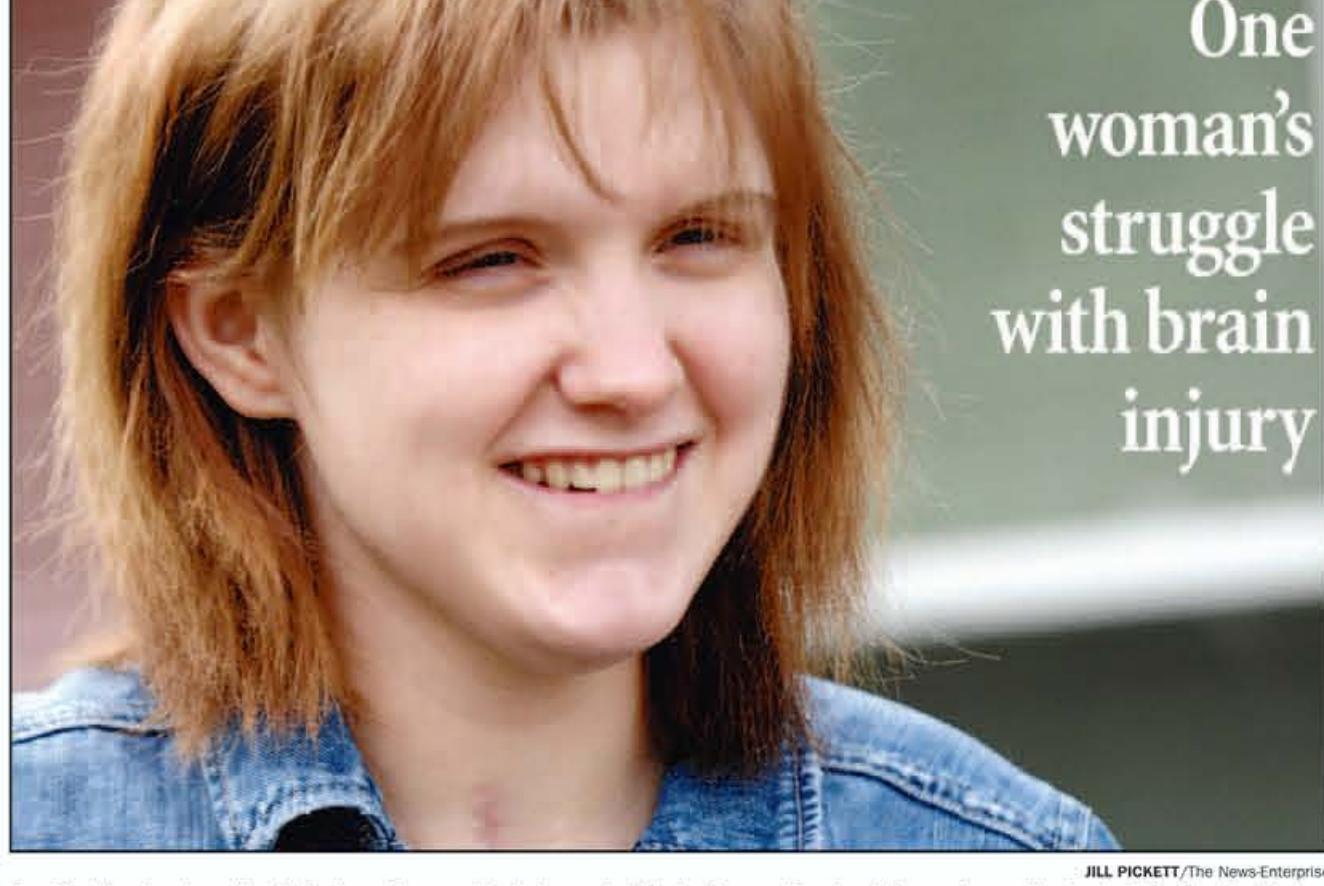
A bill designed to revise state laws regarding merger of municipal and county governments unanimously passed the state Senate on Monday.

House Bill 189 previously passed the state House, 93-0, but must return there so a Senate amendment can be affirmed.

Hardin County United, a volunteer organization that championed discussion of consolidated government locally, encouraged development of the bill to clarify how vote totals would be considered.

The bill ensures if voters of any city reject the idea, that municipality would remain independent of the unified government. It also gives the same consideration for the vote total of unincorporated portions of the county.

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JILL PICKETT/The News-Enterprise

Jennifer Hornback smiles Saturday at her mother's home in Elizabethtown. Hornback lives at a medical rehabilitation facility in Lexington as she continues to recover from injuries she sustained in a car wreck in 2009.

A warning for young drivers

By AMBER COULTER
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For Jennifer Hornback, graduation and prom season bring back thoughts of a vehicle collision she can't remember and the consequences she'll deal with for the rest of her life.

Jennifer, 20, has lived in a medical rehabilitation facility in Lexington since a head-on collision near Rineyville just more than three years ago left her in serious condition, in a coma and with a traumatic brain injury.

Kentucky State Police said Jennifer was eastbound on Ky. 1600 on March 2, 2009, when a westbound vehicle crossed the center line and collided with the Mazda pickup she was driving. Jennifer wasn't wearing a seat belt and was airlifted to University Hospital in Louisville, according to police.

Jennifer remembers being a senior at Central Hardin High School, where she played on the basketball team. She remembers going out with

Hornback was a senior at Central

Hardin at the time of her crash



Submitted photo

Hornback's Mazda truck after the crash in 2009.

friends, partying and skipping school, thinking she had the rest of her life to make up for poor decisions.

Then, there's a blank period in her memories, filled with hazy conversations with people at the hospital that she thought were dreams after coming out of a 47-day coma.

"I don't remember the accident, and I've never met the lady who hit me," she said. "All I know is her name, a name that will be etched in my mind forever, but I forgive her because people make mistakes every day."

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WEATHER



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SINCE YOU ASKED

Results of Monday's *The News-Enterprise* online poll, as of 7 p.m.

QUESTION: How many Final Four teams did you correctly pick in your NCAA Tournament bracket?

One or fewer: 38 percent **Two:** 38 percent

Three: 10 percent **Four:** 14 percent

TODAY'S QUESTION: Should neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman be charged in the death of Trayvon Martin?

Find the poll question under the "opinion" menu at

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Sarah Anthony is Wednesday's Woman

INSIDE WEDNESDAY

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LOOKING BACK

IN 1513, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon sighted present-day Florida.

ON THIS DATE IN 1912, first lady Helen Herron Taft and the wife of Japan's ambassador to the United States, Viscountess Chinda, planted the first two of 3,000 cherry trees given as a gift by the mayor of Tokyo in Washington, D.C.

IN HARDIN COUNTY

30 YEARS AGO, the North Hardin Trojan basketball team lost 53 to 51 to Laurel County in the championship game of the 65th state tournament, but the team was greeted at home by a police escort and an 86-vehicle caravan that stretched more than a mile. Superintendent Charlie Akins drove the school system's official vehicle in a 19-mile tour of Elizabethtown, Radcliff and Vine Grove which marked the team's return with "streamers, screamers and a chorus of car horns."

20 YEARS AGO, it was reported that crack cocaine traffic was growing in Elizabethtown. Police speculated it was generating more than \$1 million a year.

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TODAY'S FORECAST



Mostly sunny.
High: 74

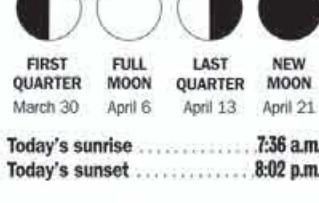
TONIGHT: Partly cloudy. Low: 59

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76/50	66/45	69/53
Storm chance.	Mostly sunny.	Mostly sunny.

AROUND KENTUCKY

	High	Low	Outlook
Fort Campbell	79	46	Sunny
Paducah	79	46	Sunny
Bowling Green	78	45	Sunny
Lexington	70	37	Sunny
Louisville	71	36	Sunny
Pikeville	64	37	Sunny
Covington	64	35	Sunny

Source: National Weather Service



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FIRST QUARTER	FULL MOON	LAST QUARTER	NEW MOON
March 30	April 6	April 13	April 21

Today's sunrise 7:36 a.m.

Today's sunset 8:02 p.m.

HIGHS/LOWS

High/low yesterday	68/50
Fort Knox NWS reporting station as of 5 p.m.	
Record high/year*	87/910
Record low/year**	14/947
Average high/low*	61/40

*Louisville temperature readings.

PRECIPITATION

Past 24 hours*	0.00
Last 30 days**	5.43
Deviation from norm	+1.33
Jan. 1-present**	10.28
Deviation from norm	+0.66

Sources: *Fort Knox, **NWS, Bardstown station

ALLERGY REPORT

National Allergy Bureau pollen and mold report for the area.	
Trees	High
Weeds	Absent
Grass	Low
Mold	Low

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Two teens missing

Elizabethtown police searching for friends gone since Sunday

By SARAH BENNETT
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Elizabethtown police are looking for two teenage girls reported missing Sunday by their parents.

Broanna T. Ray, 16, and Danielle M. Bouvier, 15, are friends. Police believe the girls could be to-



RAY



BOUVIER

gether, said Virgil Willoughby, EPD public information officer.

The two teens disappeared from their Elizabethtown homes and parents noted their absence between 10 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, he said. The teens still were miss-

ing as of Monday afternoon.

Ray is about 5-foot-5 and 115 pounds, according to EPD. She is a black female with black hair and brown eyes.

Bouvier is a white female, with brown hair and brown eyes. She is about 5-foot-6 and 150 pounds.

Anyone with information concerning the whereabouts of Ray and Bouvier is asked to call the Elizabethtown Police Department at (270) 765-4125.

Sarah Bennett can be reached at (270) 505-1750.

DAILY BRIEFING

HORSE CAVE

Hart County man charged with murder in stabbing

A 41-year-old Horse Cave man was arrested and charged with murder late Saturday by Kentucky State Police.

Douglas W. Miller is charged with the stabbing death of Patrick L. Dunlap, 52, of Smithville, Tenn., who police found dead in Miller's home on Hatcher Valley Road.

Deborah Thistlewaite, 50, of Bloomfield also was at the residence when police arrived Saturday evening. She was arrested by the Hart County Sheriff's Office on unrelated warrants. She is not charged related to the stabbing.

Both were lodged in the Hart County Jail.

Dunlap's body was taken to the Medical Examiner's Office in Louisville for autopsy.

KSP Detective Michael May is leading the investigation.

NELSON COUNTY

Woman killed in Bardstown crash

A Loretto woman was killed Sunday afternoon in a single-vehicle wreck on Loretto Road in Bardstown.

Clara R. Donahue, 44, was southbound in a 2002 Dodge Dakota when for unknown reasons the truck left the roadway on the southbound side and struck a tree, according to Kentucky State Police Post 4 in Elizabethtown.

A Nelson County coroner pronounced Donahue dead at the scene. Her passenger, James R. Mattingly, 45, of Loretto, was flown to University Hospital in Louisville with life-threatening injuries.

Police said Donahue was wearing a seat belt while Mattingly was not.

LEXINGTON

Closing arguments held in clinics trial

A federal prosecutor said a Louisiana businessman ran a criminal conspiracy to distribute drugs in eastern Kentucky through multiple pain clinics.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Roger West said in closing arguments Monday that Michael Leman made \$1.26 million over 26 months by dealing oxycodone and methadone through Urgent Care Services clinics.

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CORRECTION

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TELEPHONE NUMBER: The wrong number for Crime-Stoppers was printed Monday with The News-Enterprise's Hardin County's Most Wanted. The number is (800) 597-8123.



CLEAN-UP DUTY

Joseph Logsdon, 79, rakes yard debris Monday away from a short wall at his residence in the Stephensburg area before being called in for lunch by his wife.

Lexington jockey school expands scope

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — The North American Racing Academy, which was founded in 2006 to train jockeys, is expanding its scope and will become a workforce development school for horse farms.

The academy's new director, Remi Bellocq said the change is aimed at meeting "a high demand for trained, skilled workers, especially with immigration issues being what they are."

NARA will offer a one-year certificate program in exercise riding

and racehorse care and training in addition to its two-year program for jockeys and horsemen. It will prepare students at the school to work in jobs ranging from exercise riders to grooms and will emphasize horsemanship skills, racehorse care and barn management.

Spicing up for spring

Homemakers' Bazaar includes bake sale, barbecue lunch

By KELLY CANTRALL
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Decorators ready to brighten their homes for spring can find designs with a handmade touch Saturday at the Hardin County Homemakers' annual Spring Bazaar.

The Homemakers hosts its second Spring Bazaar from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Hardin County Cooperative Extension

Service. Club members began hosting a spring bazaar after the success of a similar event during the holidays, which has been established for several years.

Slots for vendors were filled several days ago and coordinator Ginny Kean said almost all of the vendors are new to bazaars. The event's timing has drawn new crafters who didn't participate in the fall and Kean is looking forward to their efforts.

"And I just really enjoy seeing the crafts, especially since there are so many new ones," she said.

A handful of established companies will be present, including Avon and Pampered Chef, but the bazaar primarily features home-

made crafts such as birdhouses, jewelry, paintings, embroidery and ceramics.

"(There will be) just about everything you would find in our festivals around the area," Kean said.

Along with crafts, the Homemakers will host a bake sale and lunch of soup, barbecue sandwiches and pimento cheese sandwiches. Money made from the lunch and bake sales, along with booth rental fees, goes to scholarships for a child or grandchild of a member of the group, Kean said. The Homemakers awarded several \$500 scholarships last year.

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Fight claims, pot put Fla. teen's side on defense

Police say info may have been leaked to media

By CURT ANDERSON and MIKE SCHNEIDER
The Associated Press

SANFORD — The family and supporters of slain Florida teenager Trayvon Martin found themselves on the defensive Monday following revelations he had been suspended for marijuana before he was shot to death by a neighborhood watch volunteer. Police also confirmed a report that the watchman claimed Martin was the aggressor, punching him in the nose and smacking his head on a sidewalk.

Martin, 17, was suspended by Miami-Dade County schools because traces of marijuana were found in a plastic baggie in his book bag, family spokesman Ryan Julison said. Martin was serving the suspension when he was shot Feb. 26 by George Zimmerman, who was patrolling the neighborhood that Martin was visiting with his father.

Martin's mother, Sybrina Fulton, and family attorneys blamed police for leaking the information about the marijuana and Zimmerman's claim about the attack to the news media in an effort to demonize the teenager.

"They killed my son and now they're trying to kill his reputation," Fulton told reporters.

The Sanford Police Department insisted there was no unauthorized release of the new information but acknowledged there may have been a leak. City Manager Norton Bonaparte Jr. said it would be investigated and the person responsible could be fired.

Martin family attorney Benjamin Crump said the link between the youth and marijuana should have no bearing on the probe into his shooting death. State and federal agencies are investigating, with a grand jury set to convene April 10.

"If he and his friends experimented with marijuana, that is completely irrelevant," Crump said. "What does it have to do with killing their son?"

The state Department of Juvenile Justice confirmed Monday that Martin does not have a juvenile offender record. The information came after a public records request by The Associated Press.

Zimmerman, 28, claimed he shot Martin in self-defense and has not been arrested. Because Martin was black and Zimmerman has a white father and Hispanic mother, the case has become a racial flash-point that has civil rights leaders and others leading a series of protests in Sanford and around the country.

Meanwhile, the *Orlando Sentinel* reported Zimmerman told police he lost Martin in the neighborhood he regularly patrolled and was walking back to his vehicle when the youth approached him from behind.

JUSTICES SIGNAL READINESS TO TACKLE KEEP-OR-KILL QUESTION FOR HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL. As demonstrations swirled outside, Supreme Court justices signaled on Monday they are ready to confront without delay the keep-or-kill questions at the heart of challenges to President Barack Obama's historic health care overhaul. Virtually every American will be affected by the outcome, due this summer in the heat of the election campaign.

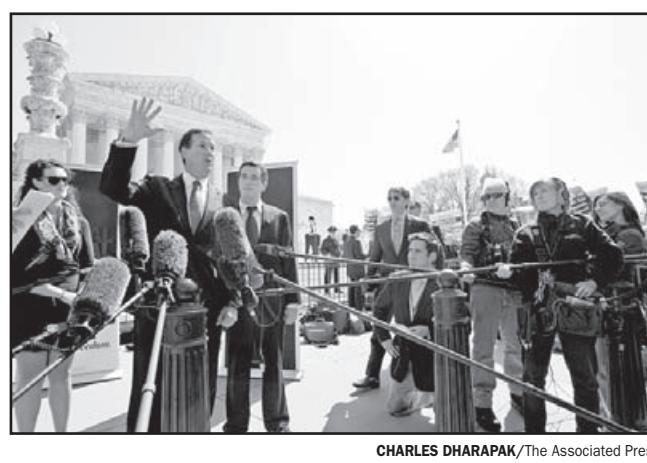
On the first of three days of arguments — the longest in decades — none of the justices appeared to embrace the contention that it was too soon for a decision.

Outside the packed courtroom, marching and singing demonstrators on both sides — including doctors in white coats, a Republican presidential candidate and even a brass quartet — voiced their eagerness for the court to either uphold or throw out the largest expansion in the nation's social safety net since Medicare was enacted in 1965.

Tuesday's arguments will focus on the heart of the case, the provision that aims to extend medical insurance to 30 million more Americans by requiring everyone to carry insurance or pay a penalty.

A decision is expected by late June as Obama fights for re-election. All of his Republican challengers oppose the law and promise its repeal if the high court hasn't struck it down in the meantime.

POPE BENEDICT XVI TOUCHES DOWN IN CUBA 14 YEARS AFTER JOHN PAUL II'S HISTORIC VISIT. Pope Benedict XVI arrived in Cuba on Monday in the footsteps of his more famous predecessor, saying he holds great affection for Cubans on both sides of the Florida Straits and



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AFGHAN SECURITY FORCES KILL 3 NATO TROOPS, REFLECTING A SPIKE IN TENSIONS. Afghan security forces shot and killed three international troops Monday, one of them an American, in two attacks. They were the latest in a rising number of attacks in which Afghan forces have turned their weapons on their foreign partners.

The killings reflect a spike in tensions between Afghan and international

forces that follow an American soldier's alleged massacre of Afghan civilians, the burning of Muslim holy books at a U.S. base, and uncertainty about Afghanistan's fate as foreign troops prepare to pull out.

They also come at a time when international troops have stepped up training and mentoring of Afghan soldiers, police and government workers so that Afghans can take the lead and the foreign forces can go home. The success of that partnership is key to the U.S.-led coalition's

strategy to withdraw most foreign combat forces by the end of 2014.

MANUFACTURER OF 'PINK SLIME' BEEF INGREDIENT SUSPENDING OPERATIONS AT 3 OF 4 PLANTS. The maker of "pink slime" suspended operations Monday at all but one plant where the beef ingredient is made, acknowledging recent public uproar over the product has cost the company business.

Craig Letch, director of food quality and assurance for Beef Products Inc., declined to discuss financial details, but said business has taken a "substantial" hit since social media exploded with worry over the ammonia-treated filler and an online petition seeking its ouster from schools drew hundreds of thousands of supporters. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has decided school districts may stop using it and some retail chains have pulled products containing it.

Federal regulators say the product, which has been used for years and is known in the industry as "lean, finely textured beef," meets food safety standards. — AP

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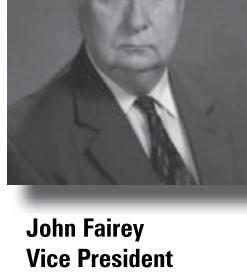
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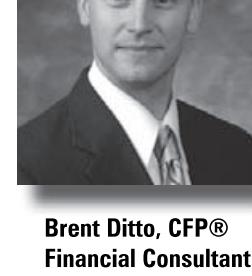
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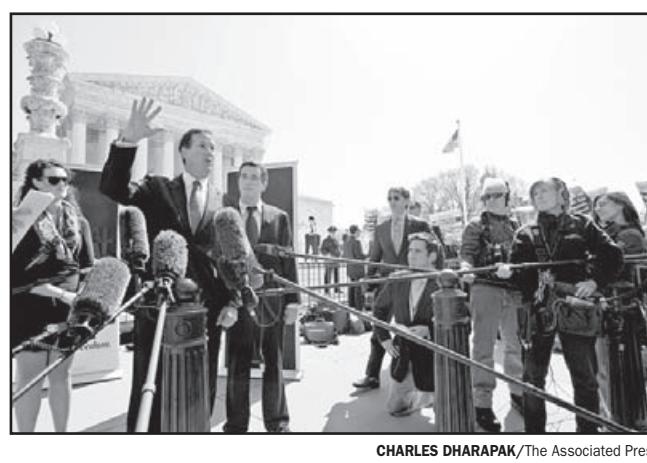


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68 SAN JUAN CT.
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208 VILLAGE DR.
Spacious 3 BR home in E'town City Schools. Great location close to schools, shopping, and hospital. One car garage. Partial basement. \$107,500.

155 UNDERLOOK LANE
Newly refurbished 3 bedroom, 2 bath with a permanent foundation on 3.1 acres. Vacant and ready to move right in. \$88,900.

579 RODEO DRIVE
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621 NORTH MAIN
Completely renovated 3 BR, 2 bath home in E'town City Schools. Full basement, garage, equipped kitchen, shady lot! Shows great. \$129,500.

635 GRAND CANYON
Custom built 3 BR, 2 bath brick ranch with 1492 sq. feet of living area on one level. Large corner lot in Sante Fe Subdivision. Shows great! \$174,900.

504 CHURCHILL COURT
Lovely 4 BR, 1.5 bath home with a full basement, large corner lot, updated kitchen & baths, hardwood and tile floors. City schools. \$124,900.

2507 LAKE RD. RADCLIFF
Refurbished 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home, NEW carpet, NEW heat/ac, fresh paint. Ready to move in! \$94,500.

342 MADISON DRIVE
3 BR, 2 bath brick ranch in EXCELLENT condition! Fenced yard, new kitchen appliances, shows great! \$149,900.

502 BEWLEY BLVD.
Very well maintained, spacious 3 BR, 2.5 bath all brick ranch. Family room, office, 2 fireplaces, extra nice 2.5 car garage/workshop. \$162,900.

1238 WOODEN LANE
Custom built 4 BR, 2 1/2 bath home on park like 5 acre lot only minutes from town. Peaceful country setting. \$249,500.

2134 MACK THOMAS RD.
Nice 3 BR brick ranch with a finished basement on 3 ACRES. New carpet, new vinyl, vacant. \$99,900.

6420 SOUTH DIXIE
Beautiful, updated 3 BR, 2 bath ranch on 4.72 acres with a 2 car detached garage PLUS a nice 3 car detached garage/workshop. Shows great! \$174,900.

710 FREEMAN LAKE ROAD
Beautifully maintained 5 bedroom, 4 bath brick ranch with a finished walkout basement. High quality home in a great location! Vacant and priced to sell at \$298,000.

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TODAY

E'town Head Start Preschool is accepting applications for enrollment for the 2012-13 school year. Head Start is a free program for children who will be 3 or 4 years old by Oct. 1. POC: 765-4765 or 769-3497.

Free showing of movie 'American Teacher,' 6-8 p.m., T.K. Stone Middle School's Performing Arts Center, with limited seating. Register at www.americanteacherky.com. Event is sponsored by Hardin County Schools, E'town Independent Schools, United Way and KEA. The movie follows the career paths of four public school teachers. POC: John Wright, 769-8867.

Hardin Fiscal Court, 3:30 p.m., third floor, H.B. Fife Courthouse, 100 Public Square, E'town. POC: 765-2350.

Local, State and Federal Resources, 6-7 p.m., Hardin County Public Library, 100 Jim Owen Drive, E'town, presented by Jersia Lamons, WIA Client Services director. Register by calling 769-6337.

North Hardin High School Festival Preview Band Concert, 6 p.m., Hardin County Schools Performing Arts Center at John Hardin High School, featuring Wind Symphony Band, Symphonic Band and Symphonic Band II. James T. Alton and North Middle schools also perform. POC: Brian Froedge, 351-3167.

Swedish Weaving class registration deadline is today. Class is 10 a.m.-noon, April 3, Hardin County Extension Service, 201 Peterson Drive, E'town. Class size limited. \$5. Supplies included. POC: 765-4121.

Smart Start Business Basics, 5 p.m., Hardin County Public Library, 100 Jim Owen Drive, E'town, presented by Steve Heil of UK Small Business Development Center. Register at www.ksbdc.org. POC: 769-6337.

Public discussion of 'The Bloomsbury Group,' 6-7 p.m., science auditorium in the science building on the Elizabethtown Community and Technical College campus, to discuss the art, literature and philosophies of the Bloomsbury Group. Free. POC: 769-2371.

THURSDAY

April Homemakers' Lesson: Saving Water and Energy in Your Home and Garden, 10:30 a.m., Hardin County Extension Service, 201 Peterson Drive, E'town. POC: 765-4121.

Elizabethtown High School Class of 1977 reunion planning committee, 7 p.m., Jerry's Restaurant, East Dixie Avenue, E'town. POC: Cheryl Daniels, 763-3278; or David Coomer, 723-2287.

Lincoln Trail Elementary School SBDM Council, called meeting, 2:45 p.m., in school office.

FRIDAY

Fish fry, 5-8 p.m. Stephensburg Masonic Lodge Hall, Ky. 86 near Cecilia. \$6. POC: 369-9673.

Fish fry, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Faith Apostolic Church, 408 Nicholas St., E'town. \$8, dine in or carry out. POC: 737-8510 or 737-5425.

Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Hunter's Education Class, 12-hour program to receive an orange card, 6-8:30 p.m. March 30 and 31 and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. March 31, Arrowhead Archery Building, 1196 Knob School House Road, Sonora. Sponsored by Lincoln Area Longbeard's Chapter of National Wild Turkey Federation. Instructor: Doug Brockman. Those interested in attending can call Willie Vittitoe, 268-1127, or Charlie Wootton, 234-6289.

SATURDAY

Annual Easter egg hunt, sponsored by West 84 Volunteer Fire Department, 5 p.m. at Station 1, 21129 Sonora Hardin Springs Road, intersection of Ky. 920 and Ky. 84. Activities for all ages of children. Snacks served. Event is free. POC: Chief Steve Gore, 862-4679.

Easter egg hunt, 11 a.m., Round Top Baptist Church, 705 Round Top Road, E'town. From Elizabethtown turn onto Lincoln Parkway and go 2.3 miles, left onto Round Top Road, .3 miles and church is on left. Eggs, candy, live entertainment, crafts and a meal provided. POC: The Rev. Donnie Davis Jr., pastor, 737-7339.

Hardin County Democratic Party precinct elections, 10 a.m., at regular election polling sites. Registered Democrats will vote for one man, one woman and one youth, between 18 and 35 years, to represent their precinct. Those elected go to the county convention at 10 a.m. April 14 at the Hardin County Courthouse to elect members of the executive committee and delegates to the state convention. POC: Les Dawson, 766-4351.

Hardin County Homemakers Spring Bazaar, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Hardin County Extension Service, 201 Peterson Drive, E'town. Crafts, baked goods, painted décor, gifts and more. Lunch served: soup, barbecue sandwiches, pimento cheese sandwiches. POC: Extension Service, 765-4121, or Ginny Kean, 737-6496.

Sonora Veterans Memorial Park fundraiser, 5 p.m., Harvest Market in Sonora, Paul Stewarts Restaurant. Serving bean soup, fried potatoes, cornbread, coleslaw and drinks, \$5. POC: Gayle Hornback, 734-2483 or Carol Rogers, 723-1134.

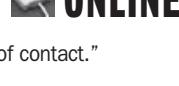
Third annual 'Quarters for a Cure' Relay For Life fundraiser, 1 p.m., Pritchard Community Center, 404 S. Mulberry St., E'town; doors open at noon. Tickets \$5. Bring quarters. Donated items will be auctioned for a specified number of quarters: 1, 2, 3 or 4. Items donated by home-based businesses, local businesses and individuals. Limited seating available. POC for tickets, to reserve a seat or information: Wanda Ballard, 737-0381.

SUNDAY

Knight and Sullivan family reunion, 1-4 p.m., Pritchard Community Center, 404 S. Mulberry St., E'town. POC: 862-3404.

Knights of Columbus Super Bingo, 7 p.m., K of C Hall, 312 E. Main St., Vine Grove, to benefit Appalachia Mountain Relief Fund. Turkey dinner \$5. Doors open at 5 p.m. Raffle for 32-inch color TV and Craftsman 94-piece tool set, \$1 per chance. POC: 877-2194.

Open House for residence of Fort Knox Commanding General, 3:30-6:30 p.m., enter through Chaffee main gate using East Bullion Boulevard and follow directional signs. Visitors can tour the premises and meet and speak with Maj. Gen. Mark McDonald and his spouse, Connie. Volunteers available to discuss history of home, which features Colonial Revival architecture. POC: Ryan Brus, (502) 624-4966, ryan.w.brus.civ@mail.mil, or Kyle Hodges, (502) 624-3051 or patrick.k.hodges.civ@mail.mil.



POC refers to "point of contact."

SUBMITTING A CALENDAR ITEM

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DEATHS

Mary Lou Bradley

Mary Lou Bradley, 63, of Elizabethtown, passed away Sunday, March 25, 2012, at Kensington Manor in Elizabethtown.

She was born May 15, 1948, in Wax to Roy and Elsie (Clemons) Bradley. She was a Christian.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one son, Bill Blackwood Jr.; and six brothers and sisters.

She is survived by a daughter, Jennifer (David) Hood of Sonora; two sisters, Odelene Hill of Leitchfield and Ann Higdon of Glendale; three brothers, Willard Bradley of Rineyville, Hershel Bradley of Sonora and Tony Bradley of Cecilia; and three grandchildren, Alex, Aron and Chloe.

The funeral is at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 29, at New Hope Community Church in Elizabethtown with the Rev. Herb Williams officiating. Burial follows in St. James Catholic Church Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at Manakee Funeral Home in Sonora.

Condolences may be expressed at www.manakeefuneralhome.com.

Bradley Alan Burnett Sr.

Bradley Alan Burnett Sr., 47, of Elizabethtown, died Sunday, March 25, 2012, at his residence.

A native of Hardin County, he was a member of Stephensburg Methodist Church, a maintenance supervisor at Clayton Homes and he loved to fish.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Betty Jo Carter Burnett; a brother, Bruce Burnett; and a sister, Beth Burnett.

He is survived by his wife, Lisa Walters Burnett; a son, Bradley (Whitney) Burnett Jr. of Cecilia; two daughters, Becca (Chris) Sandfer of Elizabethtown and Holly Burnett (Danny Mudd) of Bardstown; a brother, Barry Burnett of Glendale; a sister, Brenda (Shane) Burnett-Wiggington of Elizabethtown; and seven grandchildren, Nicholas Grimmett, L.H. Sandfer, Matthew Sandfer, Kayla Sandfer, Madison Burnett, Bradley Ryan Burnett and Wyatt Burnett.

The funeral is at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Brown Funeral Home in Elizabethtown with the Rev. Don Sexton officiating. Burial follows in Bonniville Memory Park.

Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. today and continues at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Condolences may be expressed at www.brownfuneralhome.com.



BURNETT

John William Hackett

John William Hackett, 93, of Elizabethtown, died Sunday, March 25, 2012, at Kensington Manor.

He was a native of Winchester. During World War II he served in the U.S. Navy. John graduated from Western Kentucky University where he played basketball for E.A. Diddle. He started his teaching and football coaching career in Princeton, Ky. From 1954 to 1980 he taught and coached at Fort Knox High School and was a past president of the Kentucky High School Athletic Coaches Association.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Emma Mabel James Hackett; his parents, John W. and Virginia Heffernan Hackett; a son, Patrick Hackett; three sisters; and two brothers.

He is survived by two sons, Edward (Diane) Hackett of Brandon Miss., and William Seldon (Nan) Hackett of Vesuvius, Va.; three daughters, Sue (Alex) Hogan, Veronica (Alan) Hartlage and Michelle (Terry) Shipp, all of Elizabethtown; four grandchildren, Matthew (Kiersten) Hartlage, Mitchell Hartlage, Ashley (Armando) Martinez and Rachel Shipp; and four great-grandchildren, Alexi, Anna, Abby and Andrew Martinez.

The funeral is at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. James Catholic Church in Elizabethtown with the Rev. Chuck Walker officiating. Burial follows in St. James Cemetery.

Visitation is from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and continues at 9 a.m. Thursday at Brown Funeral Home in Elizabethtown, where there is a prayer vigil at 7 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Matthew Hardesty officiating.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Condolences may be expressed at www.brownfuneralhome.com.



HACKETT

Carol Ann McGuire

Carol Ann McGuire, 73, of Boston, Ky., passed away Monday, March 26, 2012, at her home in Boston.

She was a native of Lebanon Junction. As a registered nurse she notably served 50 years in many communities including Nelson and Hardin counties. She was an educator at the Lansing School of Nursing at Bellarmine College in Louisville, Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown, The Practical Nursing Program at North Florida Junior College, The North Community College in Highland Heights and St. Francis School of Practical Nursing in Cincinnati. She also worked at the Galen College of Nursing in Louisville.

She was a founding member of Hospice of Central Kentucky and was assistant executive director of the Kentucky Board of Nursing. She held many positions such as director of nursing, director of infection control, health care coordinator, and acting director of nursing service in institutions such as Hardin Memorial Hospital, Kentucky Peer Review in Louisville and Madison County Memorial Hospital in Madison, Florida.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James Franklin and Hazel Elizabeth Wise McGuire.

Survivors include her sisters, Jane Crawford (James) of Boston, Theresa Boone and Susan Mattingly (Cecil) both of St. Simons Island, Ga.; her brothers, James McGuire (Carol) and Joe McGuire (Connie), both of Boston, Pat McGuire (Cheri) of South Bend, Ind., and Tom McGuire (Nancy) of Louisville.

A Mass of the Resurrection for Carol Ann McGuire is at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 30, at St. Benedict Catholic Church in Lebanon Junction with the Revs. Brian Kenney and Jim Graff officiating. Burial follows in St. Clare Church Cemetery in Colesburg.

Visitation is from 1 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Kappel Funeral Home, Boston Chapel, in Boston. A prayer service is at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Kappel Funeral Home in Lebanon Junction is in charge of arrangements.

Clifford Kenneth 'Cliff' Moore

Clifford Kenneth "Cliff" Moore, 83, of Radcliff, passed away Saturday, March 24, 2012, at Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown.

Mr. Moore was retired from civil service and retired from the U.S. Army having served in the Korean War and Vietnam. He was a lifelong Mason and served as past master of Camp Knox Lodge No. 919 in Radcliff. He was a member of Kosair Shriners, a Kentucky Colonel and was involved with the Shriners Horse Patrol.

He was preceded in death by a son, Mark Steven Moore.

Survivors include his loving wife of 59 years, Margarite Moore of Radcliff; two children, Kenneth R. Moore and his wife, Helena, of Louisville and Deborah Elaine Pilkenton and her husband, Glenn, of Radcliff; two grandchildren, Gretchen Freeman and Cory Reese, both of Radcliff; and two great-grandchildren, Wesley Reese and Jayson Freeman.

A graveside service with military honors for Mr. Moore is at 2 p.m. Friday, March 30, at Kentucky Veterans Cemetery-Central in Radcliff.

Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday and after 11 a.m. Friday at Coffey & Chism Funeral Home in Vine Grove. There is a Masonic service at 7 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

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Clarence 'Sonny' Applegate II, 57, died Friday, March 9, 2012. A memorial service is from 2 to 4 p.m. April 7 at VFW Post 10281, 299 Briggs Lane, Vine Grove.

Archie R. Bishop, 64, of Garfield, died Saturday, March 24, 2012. The funeral is at 2 p.m. today at Alexander Funeral Home in Irvineton with burial in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Visitation begins at 6 p.m. Thursday at Percell & Sons Funeral Home in Elizabethtown.

Jerry N. Clemons, 72, of Clarkson, died Saturday, March 24, 2012. The funeral is at noon today at St. Ignatius Catholic Church with burial in St. Ignatius Cemetery.

Lonnie Rhea Douglas Sr., 73, of Elizabethtown, died Friday, March 23, 2012. The funeral is at 3 p.m. today at Locust Grove Baptist Church with burial in Shadow Oaks Cemetery on the family farm in Hardin County. Visitation continues at 1 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Geoff Patrick Mattingly, 32, of Elizabethtown, died Sunday, March 25, 2012. The funeral is at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Dixon-Atwood

Studies: Surgery can put diabetes into remission

By MARILYNN MARCHIONE
AP Chief Medical Writer

CHICAGO — New research gives clear proof that weight-loss surgery can reverse and possibly cure diabetes, and doctors say the operation should be offered sooner to more people with the disease — not just as a last resort.

The two studies, released Monday, are the first to compare stomach-reducing operations to medicines alone for "diabetes" — Type 2 diabetes brought on by obesity. Millions of Americans have this and can't make enough insulin or use what they do make to process sugar from food.

Both studies found that surgery helped far more patients achieve normal blood-sugar levels than medicines alone did.

The results were dramatic: Some people were able to stop taking insulin as soon as three days after their operations. Cholesterol and other heart risk factors greatly improved.

Doctors don't like to say "cure" because they can't promise a disease will never come back. But in one study, most surgery patients were able to stop all diabetes drugs and have their disease stay in remission for at least two years. None of those treated with medicines alone could do that.

"It is a major advance," said Dr. John Buse of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, a leading diabetes expert who had no role in the studies. Buse said he often recommends surgery to patients who are obese and can't control their blood-sugar through medications, but many are leery of it. "This evidence will help convince them that this really is an important therapy to at least consider," he said.

There were signs the surgery itself — not just weight loss — helps reverse diabetes. Food makes the

gut produce hormones to spur insulin, so trimming away part of it surgically may affect those hormones, doctors believe.

Weight-loss surgery "has proven to be a very appropriate and excellent treatment for diabetes," said one study co-leader, Dr. Francesco Rubino, chief of diabetes surgery at New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical Center. "The most proper name for the surgery would be diabetes surgery."

The studies were published online by the *New England Journal of Medicine*, and the larger one was presented at an American College of Cardiology conference in Chicago.

More than a third of American adults are obese, and more than 8 percent have diabetes, a major cause of heart disease, strokes and kidney failure. Between 5 million and 10 million are like the people in these studies, with both problems.

For a century, doctors have been treating diabetes with pills and insulin, and encouraging weight loss and exercise with limited success. Few very

obese people can drop enough pounds without surgery, and many of the medicines used to treat diabetes can cause weight gain, making things worse.

Surgery offers hope for a long-term fix. It costs \$15,000 to \$25,000, and Medicare covers it for very obese people with diabetes. Gastric bypass is the most common type: Through "keyhole" surgery, doctors reduce the stomach to a small pouch and reconnect it to the small intestine.

One previous study tested stomach banding, a less drastic and reversible procedure for limiting the size of the stomach. This technique lowered blood sugar, but those patients had mild diabetes. The new studies tested permanent weight-loss surgery in people with longtime, severe diabetes.

At the Cleveland Clinic, Dr. Philip Schauer studied 150 people given one of two types of surgery plus standard medicines or a third group given medicines alone. Their A1c levels — the key blood-sugar measure — were over 9 on average at the start. A healthy A1c is 6 or below.

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ment began, only 12 percent of those treated with medicines alone were at that healthy level, versus 42 percent and 37 percent of the two groups given surgery.

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AS Kermit says, "It Ain't Easy Being Green!" Most people try hard to do the right thing when it comes to being green — bringing reusable cloth bags to the grocery store, hauling recyclables to the curb each week, changing out light bulbs and reducing waste, to name a few. In 2012 being green is cool and ignoring the environment is not a popular way to live, but one man is raising the bar on being green.

Local Car Dealer For The People, Tony Malito from Budget Car Sales, is taking the green thing to a whole new level in 2012. "Everybody's talking about going green so I've decided to go green my way. I'm making green a heck of a lot more fun by lining my customers' pockets with everyone's favorite green — cold hard cash."

"During my Go Green Go Campaign, I'm offering my customers up to

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bonus more than their old car is worth when they trade in their car this month."

When asked about the details of the campaign, Tony Malito from Budget Car Sales explained, "With some green programs, you must buy a hybrid to qualify for savings."

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Tony Malito understands that people appreciate help during tough economic times. Malito says,

A lot of the American people are having to cut back a bit and I want to help them drive a car they love, while gaining the extra cash they need to upgrade their lives and their transportation.

"I agree that being green is good. Who doesn't want to preserve this great planet we live on? I want to do my part in the green revolution so I'm helping people drive newer, more fuel efficient cars, while at the same time giving them a much needed trade-in bonus in today's tough economy. In return, I'll keep my business going strong which benefits everyone around me — my employees, my family, my community and the local economy," says Malito.



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TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?

When pressed about why he is throwing out such an amazing offer, paying up to \$4,700.00 bonus more for old cars, Malito responded, "My Go Green Go Campaign is a chance for me to give back and a chance for everyday people to get ahead and make their financial goals come true in 2012. I get a stocked lot and keep my business strong. Customers get much-needed cash and the opportunity to drive a nicer, newer car today. It's a win-win situation for everyone!"

The silver lining behind this campaign is that even the environment gets a boost — between the savings in gas and the improved emission situation, the Go Green Go Campaign helps the planet and the people living on it. That's something everyone can get behind!

Malito stressed, "I'm not playing around. I believe everyone deserves to drive a nicer,

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This invitation looks like a map

ISSUE: Fort Knox driving tour**OUR VIEW:** Invitation extended

After a very short tenure as commander of Fort Knox, Maj. Gen. Mark McDonald is moving on to another posting, but he leaves behind important changes initiated during his watch. Those changes have the potential to further cement the already strong relationship between the post and the public.

In addition to adopting new technology that makes it easier to access the installation, he put out a welcome mat. He acknowledged taxpayers pay for everything there and should have access to its amenities. Of course, some things are reserved for active and retired military personnel, such as the Post Exchange and commissary, but many areas, including restaurants, a nightclub, a water park and a bowling alley, among other places, are open to the public.

Unfortunately, with the level of security military installations required after 9/11, the "public" nature of Fort Knox almost became an afterthought. The post still was open to the public, but in recent years gaining access seemed a bit like running a gauntlet. The security measures were entirely appropriate, but 10 years later, technology has evolved, as has our understanding of the threat of terrorism. A new entry system

makes it easier for the public to enter and nearly impossible for anyone on a watch list.

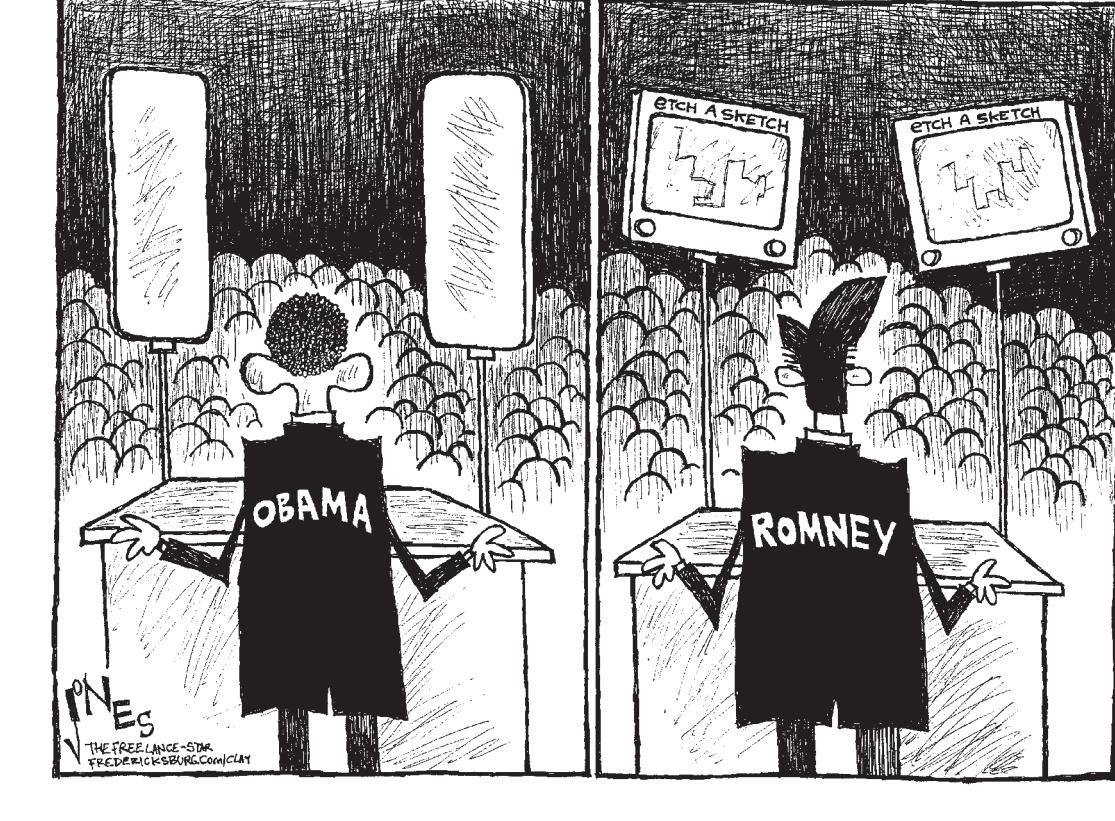
McDonald's love of history prompted him to have post history specialists create a driving tour and map. The history there is multi-faceted and broader than what can be contained in the Patton Museum, which, by the way, is as engaging as ever.

The tour features 21 sites, some new, but most are historic. Among the stops are Brooks Parade Field, the Patton Museum, Godman Army Airfield, the Leaders Club, Waybur Theater and a building known as "The Alamo."

Many Hardin Countians have sentimental memories of those places and appreciate not just the opportunity to revisit them, but the invitation to do so.

Tour maps will be available at the Patton Museum and the visitor's center after renovations are complete.

Sunday drives once were part and parcel of American life. Pack up the family and see the U.S.A. in your Chevrolet. Fort Knox is ready and waiting for sightseers — at least those who still can afford the gas to get there. The welcome mat is out.



OUR READERS WRITE

No expiration on expectations

"Rules must be binding. Violations must be punished. Words must mean something." That's what President Barack Obama said in 2009 in Prague regarding North Korea's missile launch, which American's U.N. ambassador said was in violation of U.N. resolutions.

Statements the president makes in his campaign often are violated without reasoning.

Finally, someone explained the administration's statements have an expiration date like on a container of milk, but the expiration date just isn't shared.

The president isn't the only culprit.

Take the Justice Department case against Sen. Ted Stevens. The case of fraud was so mishandled that an FBI agent turned whistleblower. A former U.S. attorney in Alaska, Wev Shea, speaking of corruption in the Justice Department's case on C-SPAN2, said he felt the lead prosecutor and the lead FBI investigator should stand trial.

Attorney General Eric Holder stepped forward, dropped the case and recommended the original conviction also be

dropped. I guess the expiration date had passed.

Judge Emmet Sullivan then ordered a study. Three years later, the study concluded the government attorneys engaged in "systematic concealment" of "significant exculpatory evidence which would have independently corroborated Senator Stevens' defense and his testimony and seriously damaged the testimony and credibility of the government's key witness."

Additionally damaging to Justice's credibility is that, three years after Sullivan set aside the guilty verdicts against Stevens, Holder still hasn't disciplined the men and women involved. What was it that the president said in Prague back in April 2009?

If the quack trial had not occurred, Ted Stevens would have won his election and become the deciding no vote on Obamacare in the U.S. Senate. He would have been at work in Washington, would have avoided the crash that killed him, and the guilty still haven't been punished. Maybe Holder should step down.

Bill Beckerlite
Elizabethtown

Climate Gate

Falsified data on global warming, exaggerating the size of the warming, is called Climate Gate.

I am ashamed of my fellow scientists for what may be the biggest scientific scandal ever. They should have been more cautious before getting the government to insist on huge expenses to reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide by cutting our use of oil, coal, even natural gas. Fortunately President George W. Bush was more cautious and knew adopting the Kyoto protocol would do severe damage to our industry and economy.

Obama's EPA, however, with no congressional approval, began on Jan. 1, 2011, to impose "an energy regulatory tax" also known as "Cap and Trade." But the Constitution only allows taxes to be added by Congress and the president working together, so this was Obama imposing "taxation without representation," exactly what we fought the Revolutionary War over.

It also reminds us how foolish and destructive a dictator's decree can be.

Turn to LETTERS, A7

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Drive-by memories of a former home and a full life

The yellow street sign warned: "Stop ahead," so I tapped my brakes, bringing my car to a complete stop at the intersection. I glanced to the left before releasing stepping on the accelerator.

Then it hit me.

No, it wasn't another vehicle. It was a series of scenes from the past, swirling around my car, streaming by me one by one and all at once, hurling me back in a time warp before swooshing past my car like a comet, leaving me craning my neck to grasp another glimpse as I idled by.

I was passing the house we lived in seven years ago. It wasn't like I hadn't been that way since we moved. But for some reason today was different.

Caught up in a past mo-



**DAVID B.
WHITLOCK**

ment, it's suddenly a time when it's just the kids and me living in the house. On the front porch I'm checking the mailbox, anxiously awaiting the mail, anticipating a letter from Lori, who was then living in Edmond, Okla.

I had gotten her address when I saw her in a restaurant while I was visiting back home. Stumbling through my "Hello, how are you?" I stalled, trying to think of a way to get her address without her thinking I was trying to get her address. "So, can I put you on our church's mailing list?"

It was the best I could

muster. It worked.

I don't remember if I ever got around to the newsletter, but I did write her. And so, there I am on the front porch, one hand holding the front door open, the other hand searching in that mail box for her letter.

That's what I saw when I drove by.

Then, around the corner in the back yard, it's suddenly a few years earlier and Dave is throwing the shot put, training for the 13-year-old regionals of the AAU Track Meet in West Virginia. Before it was over, the shot put had created holes over most of the yard so that a stranger might surmise that a herd of wooly mammoths had stomped through eons ago, or maybe some aliens from outer space had misfired their laser guns and

splattered the yard.

That's what I saw when I drove by.

Then I fell further back in time, still in the back yard, only now Dave, Mary, my brother, Mark, his wife, Joy, and all their kids — Tangie, Melanie and Brian, are throwing the football around.

Moments earlier Mark had randomly announced, "Hey, let's go throw some passes," just as he had done hundreds of times when we were growing up, in hopes that I would become a decent football player, only now he said it, not randomly as we had thought, but to lift the somberness that had settled around our house like a heavy fog because it's the afternoon of the day we buried my wife, Katri. We are running after the ball, laughing despite the

pain of that day and I'm hoping no one trips in one of the shot put holes and breaks a leg, sending us to the emergency room on the same day as the funeral.

That's what I saw when I drove by.

Glancing back, because I've almost driven to the next house now, Katri is trying to walk up the ramp that the loving men of our church had built for her, since she could no longer step up the back porch. With the walker in front of her, she clickity clacks it along as she struggles. And I'm watching. And then I can't.

That's what I saw when I drove by.

Then, we are in our cars, leaving that house for the last time. I see Lori, Dave, Mary, Harrison and Madison, and of course the

Schnauzers, Skittles and Casey. Harrison and Madi don't remember much about that house, since they were there only a few months, but Dave and Mary probably do, and as we drive away, Mary peers straight ahead, but Dave asks me to stop the car so he can run back in and take one more look at his old room before we drive away onto a new and very different avenue of life.

It's a life that speeds by quicker than you can read the street signs as you enter the next new town.

Or drive by your old house.

And that's what I saw when I drove by.

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Jeb Bush and Republican amnesia



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With the Republican presidential nomination almost in his grasp, Mitt Romney rolled out a notable endorsement last week, from a former governor of Florida. It was notable not because it's likely to change the mind of any voter, but because it required the Romney campaign to utter a four-letter word it has been loath to use: Bush.

The presidential candidates never tire of reminding us theirs is the party of Reagan and Lincoln. That the modern version is, more than anything else, the party of Bush is something they prefer to omit.

The last two Republican presidents were members of the clan. Someone named Bush has been on the national ticket in six of the last eight elections.

But after spending eight years rallying behind every scheme of George W. Bush — the Medicare prescription drug program, No Child Left Behind, a trillion-dollar war based on false claims — Republicans now act as though they never met the guy. He's gone from Conquering Hero to Invisible Man.

If some Republicans had their way, however, there would be another Bush on this year's ticket, namely Jeb. Whenever speculation bubbles about a deadlocked convention turning to a unity candidate, his is the name at the top of the list of potential saviors.

Why? Because Jeb Bush makes any of the people who competed in the GOP primaries this year look like they should be running for coroner. He's an accomplished former two-term governor of a large swing state who is admired by the party's most conservative elements as well as its slight-

ly less conservative ones. He was rated the second best governor in America on fiscal matters by the Cato Institute and he reaped plaudits for supporting charter schools, vouchers and other educational reforms. He won a place in the hearts of social conservatives by signing a law to keep Terry Schiavo from being taken off life support. He is popular among Hispanics and not just because he married one of them.

But he has a huge liability: that unfortunate family connection, which is borderline radioactive. The only reason he could be taken seriously at all is that he can be portrayed as strikingly different from his delinquent brother: more serious, more intelligent, more able, less Texan. In their younger days, Jeb was always known as "the smart brother." George, says biographer Robert Draper, was "the family chuckle-head."

That creates a strange dynamic. When Bobby and Teddy Kennedy ran for president, they did everything they could to evoke memories of brother Jack. If Jeb were to run, he'd have to treat George W. like the crazy uncle at Thanksgiving dinner.

But the Bushes have some experience with that approach. When George W. made his White House bid, his campaign encouraged the perception of him as the true son and rightful heir — of Reagan, not George H.W. Bush. He confided, "I'm more like Ronald

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LETTERS

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As my son says, he will not believe in man-caused global warming until they can scientifically explain what caused the Vikings' medieval warming period and Europe's Little Ice Age. These were big worldwide climate changes that had nothing to do with manmade carbon dioxide emissions, because there were practically none.

What caused these climate changes? Likely slight variations in the sun's output, something beyond political control or human control, but for which there is some scientific evidence.

Still, it makes sense to shift away from fossil fuels to a proven, cleaner alter-

native. Not like now-bankrupt Solyndra, which took taxpayers for many millions when they knew they were failing. Nuclear power is economical, works 24/7 regardless of the weather, emits no air

pollution and has an excellent safety record. And it would be growing faster if Obama and his cronies hadn't shut down Yucca Mountain.

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Reimbursement adjustment good for chiropractors, patients

Jim Waters' recent column, "Chiropractors want lawmakers to manipulate reimbursement rates," misses the point.

He correctly identifies that an effort at some sort of reform has been ongoing for the last several years to mandate a fee schedule. I agree that this was not the best approach in my opinion, health insurance companies would just reduce the number of visits in the plan and wind up with a net zero approach.

HB 202 is a different animal entirely and was geared more toward the consumer protection side of the equation.

Insurance companies charge a premium for plans that include a chiropractic benefit — consumers pay more for a plan that includes chiropractic coverage. Unfortunately, insurance companies have manipulated reimbursement rates down to the level that often it is less than the cost of a co-pay.

For example, the allowable rate under many plans for a chiropractic adjustment to the neck, mid-back, and low back — a 3-4 region adjustment — is approximately \$24. Many plans now have \$25, \$30 or even \$40 co-payments for the patient. The net result is that the patient now pays the entire cost of the visit. They are being duped into believing that they are receiving a chiropractic benefit with their plan, while in actuality, their insurance is paying nothing.

HB 202 wouldn't change anything for me as a chiropractor in that situation. My reimbursement still would be \$24 — \$10 less than what it was when I graduated in 2004; however, under



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the provisions of HB 202, the patient would be responsible for only 50 percent of that amount and the insurance company would pick up the rest.

This is a true use of the benefit for which they are spending their hard-earned money.

Another provision of HB 202 would eliminate the use of third party reviewers to pre-emptively reduce treatment visits.

This gets rather complicated, so I will attempt to be brief. Essentially, insurers contract with outside companies to determine the number of treatment visits by the use of "established metrics."

One such company says patients should get better in 7.2 visits. Before beginning treatment and without knowing how a patient will respond to care, this company arbitrarily assigns a number of visits allowed, even though many insurance plans allow as many as 20 visits.

The patient has paid a premium they never will be allowed to use for these visits. Again, this is tantamount to theft by deception by making consumers believe they

are paying a premium for services they desire, then being denied the benefit with no method of appeal.

As an aside, if my average number of patient visits begins to exceed that number, I could be dropped from the network and would have that used against me when applying for participation in other networks.

HB 202 would have used the established procedures of Utilization Review in the Workers Compensation statute to ensure that a fair peer review process is in place, but would not preclude patients from getting care they need.

Jim Waters argues that the free enterprise system should be allowed to work and I agree wholeheartedly, but I would ask if it is ever allowed to work in health care.

If I contact other providers in my area to discuss fee schedules and pricing, it is a federal crime akin to price fixing; however, the insurance companies unilaterally can dictate what I am paid with no real recourse for me. I don't have the negotiating power of a hospital on my side.

Are you paid less per hour for the same job today than eight years ago? I am.

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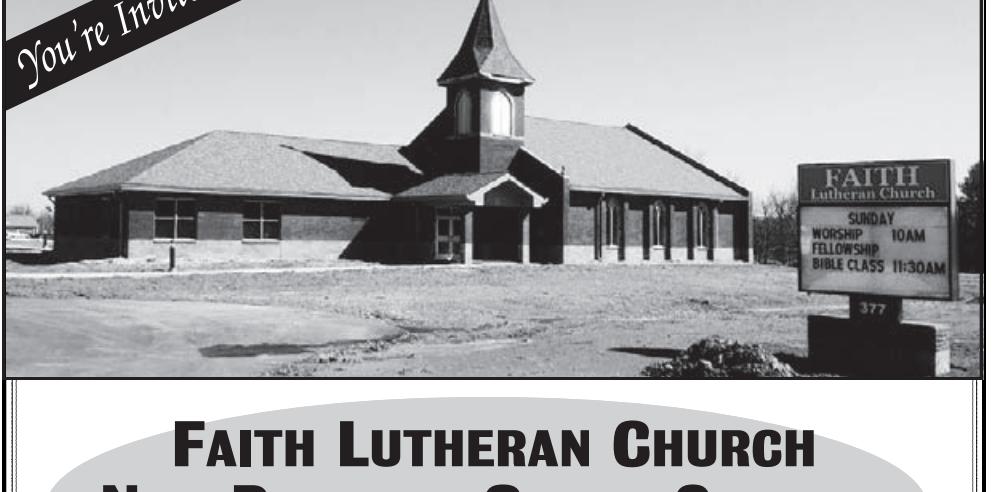
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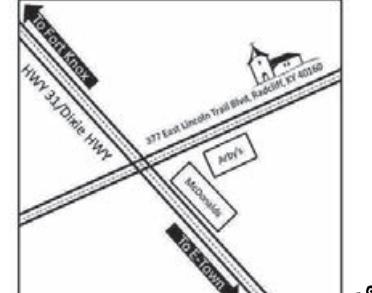
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DEAR ABBY

Good treatment is available for teen who's breaking bad

Dear Abby: "Fed-Up Father in Minnesota" (Jan. 20) caught his difficult 16-year-old daughter smoking pot and is considering sending her to a place for "troubled teens." We sent our son to such a program on the advice of an education consultant, and he almost didn't make it back alive. An untreated mental illness had been misdiagnosed as a behavioral problem, and his illness went from bad to worse.

You gave the right advice. Get an evaluation from a reputable clinic or mental health professional, then look for options as close to home as possible. Adolescence is not forever. Parents need to hang on and not be lured into thinking there's a magical solution. — Ann in Chapel Hill, N.C.

■ Dear Ann: I advised "Fed-Up" to have a psychologist identify what's troubling his daughter, and sending her away should be only a last resort. Readers were eager to comment:

■ Dear Abby: "Fed-Up" should consider an intervention like the Scared Straight program. Teens are shown where their bad behavior leads, tour a prison and see inmates serving time for similar conduct. The inmates also share their stories in an effort to turn the teens' lives around. Sometimes a rude awakening is the answer for a young person traveling down the wrong path. — Brittany in the South

■ Dear Abby: I was sent to boarding school because I was acting out and probably on my way to bigger troubles. While there, I was exposed to more than I'd ever been

JEANNIE PHILLIPS



at home. There were poorly supervised kids engaged in sexual activity, every recreational drug imaginable and free-flowing alcohol. I survived, but had the good sense to tell my parents and didn't return for a second year. What worked for me was attentive parents and a good therapist who provided me a safe, constructive way to sort out my issues. — Boarding School Survivor

■ Dear Abby: "Fed-Up" said the problem with his daughter started when he married his second wife. There obviously are issues between his wife and daughter that need resolving. Shipping the girl off won't fix them.

My stepfather was abusive to me and my brother, but our busy working mom didn't believe us. My brother began having behavioral problems at school and at home, so Mom gave in to our stepfather's suggestion to send him to military school in another state.

My brother never forgave Mom for it. He left home at 17, and they have been estranged for 33 years. It is my mother's biggest single regret. — Mary Kate in Illinois

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'TWEEN 12 & 20

Gaining weight is a no-no

Dr. Wallace: I'm 19 and have been smoking for four years. I'm really addicted. I smoke about three packs of cigarettes every two days. The first thing I do when I get out of bed in the morning is light up. I work in a smoke-free restaurant, and I like the idea of the smoke-free atmosphere. I want to quit this nasty habit, but I'm afraid if I do, I'll gain weight and, for me, that's a no-no. Have they ever figured out a way to stop smoking and still stay slim? If so, I might give it a try. — Cayla, Chicago, Ill.

■ Cayla: If you are totally dedicated to your goal to eliminate your smoking habit and not gain weight, it can be done. Those who have recently stopped smoking get nervous (for about three weeks) and don't know what to do when the nicotine begs them to light up, so they turn to food for comfort. When that urge hits you, and it will, snack on fresh fruit, vegetables, yogurt, cottage cheese, or air-popped popcorn without butter. Trust me. If you don't "chow-down," you won't gain weight.

Eliminating the smoking habit is most important for your health and your wallet. If by chance you do gain a few pounds but conquer nicotine, consider it a great trade-off. Once you are 100 percent sure tobacco is a thing of the past, then go to work getting rid of the one, two or three pounds you added. Remember, you should consume about 18 calories per day per pound of body weight. For example, if 120 pounds is your per-

fect weight, you should consume 2160 calories daily (120 x 18). Consume more and you will gain weight; consume less and you will lose weight. Never lose more than one pound per week. Cayla, I wish you all the best.

END RELATIONSHIP SOONER THAN LATER. Dr. Wallace: My boyfriend and I have been together for more than a year. Ted is my best friend, and I want to remain his best friend, but I have lost all of my "romantic" feelings for him. I'd like to stop going out with him, but I want him to remain my close friend, one I can go to when I need someone to cheer me up.

There is a guy who attends my church I am interested in dating. He told me several months ago if I ever broke up with Ted he would enjoy going out with me. But somehow I hate the thought of telling Ted I no longer want to go out with him. What should I do? — Nameless, Hockessin, N.J.

■ Nameless: Tell Ted you want the opportunity to date around but you still want to be his friend. But don't say anything about the boy at church unless he asks if you have another guy "waiting in the wings." Some guys find it difficult to stay best friends with the girl who just dumped them, especially for another guy.

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MILITARY Neighbors

OPPORTUNITY

Career Center hosts Hire a Patriot event

A Hire A Patriot event is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 29 at American Legion Post 113, 1251 Ring Road in Elizabethtown. This event is open to all veterans, transitioning active duty, National Guard, Reservists and dependents seeking em-

ployment.

Area employers will be on hand to answer questions and provide employment information. Please bring proof of military service (DD 214 or equivalent), active duty ID, or VA Medical card and copy of re-

sume.

The event is sponsored by the Lincoln Trail Career Center in Elizabethtown, in conjunction with the American Legion, DAV and VFW. For more information, call Hector Cruz at 270-766-5115.

BASIC TRAINING

BIRD. Air Force Airman Maxwell A. Bird graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. A 2011 graduate of Boyle County High School in Danville, he is the son of Tammy Bird of Danville, and the grandson of Martha Goodman of Eastview.

WAMPLER. Air Force Airman 1st Class Justine N. Wampler graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. A 2011 graduate of Bethlehem High School in Bardstown, she is the daughter of Brandon Wampler of Rineyville.

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Tuesday

Brandenburg VFW Post 11404 meeting. 7 p.m. POC: Wilbur Beasley, 497-4124.

DAV van service, going from Grayson County to the Louisville VA Hospital on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Veterans from Elizabethtown and Radcliff needing a ride on these dates may be picked up at set pick-up points. Five days notice needed. POC: Tommy Vaughn, 854-5630.

English as a second language class, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, sponsored by Army Community Service. POC: (502) 624-6291 or 624-8391.

Fort Knox Red Cross volunteer orientations, 10 a.m., American Red Cross, 1131 Fifth Ave., Fort Knox. Volunteers needed as course instructors, case workers, disaster team members, hospital and clerical workers. POC: (502) 624-2163.

Wednesday

DAV Chapter 003 provides Hardin and Meade County veterans transportation to VA clinic appointments in Louisville on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For information or to make a reservation, call 877-2229.

Sunday

Rolling Thunder Inc., Kentucky Chapter Four monthly membership and business meeting, 2 p.m., in the Community Center, 135 N. Poplar St., Lebanon Junc-

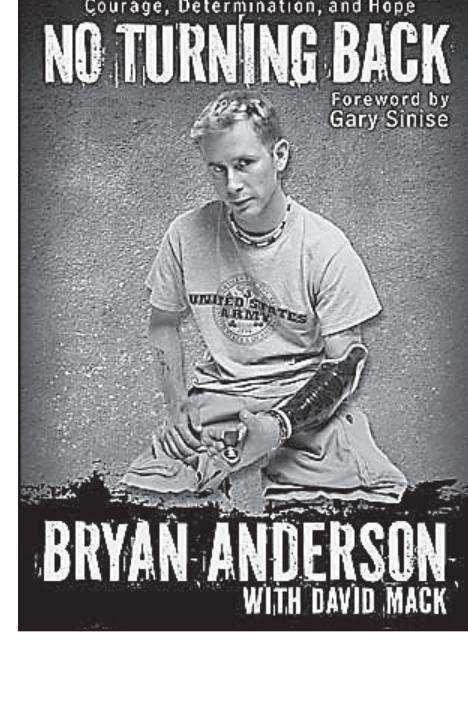
Triple amputee keynote speaker at WKU event

Motivational speaker and Iraq war veteran Bryan Anderson will deliver a keynote address at 5 p.m. April 3 at Western Kentucky University's Downing University Center Auditorium.

Anderson was serving his second tour of duty in Iraq in 2005 when his convoy was hit by an improvised explosive device. He lost both of his legs and his left hand, making him one of the few triple amputees to have survived the injuries.

Since that attack, he has launched a career as an actor, landing roles in "CSI: NY," "All My Children" and Golden Globe-winning movie "The Wrestler." Anderson continues his hobbies including snowboarding and rock climbing.

He recently launched an new inspirational book, "No Turning Back" and will relate experiences contained in the book at the free event.



MILITARY CALENDAR

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS

Several local organizations provide service officers to assist veterans and their families file claims and appeals for Veterans Affairs benefits.

ORGANIZATION/SITE	DAYS	TIMES	CONTACT
American Legion Post 113 of Elizabethtown 1251 Ring Road	Tuesday and first Thursday	9 a.m.-1 p.m.	737-9949
DAV Chapter 003, Elizabethtown Ireland Army Hospital, Fort Knox. Enter through the Patient Services Center next to the pharmacy waiting area.	Monday, Tuesday Wednesday	10 a.m.-3 p.m.	Rick Seekman, 351-2917
DAV Chapter 003 State service officer Lincoln Trail Career Center, 916 N. Mulberry St., E'town	First three Thursdays of the month	9 a.m.-noon	Dave Jarrett, 765-6340; or Ron Chasten, 769-9787
DAV Radcliff Chapter 156 Basement, Radcliff City Hall	Monday-Thursday	10 a.m.-3 p.m.	351-3666
Fort Knox Veterans Service Office , One-stop building 1384, Fort Knox	Monday-Thursday	9 a.m.-noon	Clint and Mildred Meshew, (502) 624-4103
Pritchard Community Center 404 W. Mulberry St., E'town	Fourth Tuesday	1:30-4 p.m.	Frank Nieder-ritter, (502) 799-0418 or (866) 817-1360.
Vine Grove Veterans' Assistance and Information Center Vine Grove City Hall	Thursday	10 a.m.-3 p.m.	Ret. Sgt. Maj. Ralph Martinez (270) 877-0675

tion. Dues are \$30 per year. Anyone can join, even though many members are veterans and ride motorcycles. Function of Rolling Thunder are to publicize the POW/MIA issue, help homeless and disabled veterans of all wars, and other veterans' issues. POC: Sally Johns, 352-2754.

3666. Call by Thursday for Monday appointments.

Monday

DAV van service, from Hardin County to Grayson County VA Clinic, Mondays Only. POC: Tom Vaughn, 854-5630.

Free transportation to Ireland Army Community Hospital (veterans' clinic) provided by Radcliff DAV Chapter 156; must have valid appointment, a letter from the doctor and someone to accompany you. POC: 351-

cial selections. The congregation may also share in the bread and cup. POC: The Rev. Ronald Mason, 351-7483.

DAV Disabled Veterans briefing, 11 a.m. April 14, Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church, 1106 S. Wilson Road, Radcliff. Lunch follows. POC: the Rev. Michael Gamble, 304-5892.

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 1051, the Gold Vault Patriots, 2 p.m. April 15, Nolin RECC, 411 Ring Road, E'town. Anyone who served in Vietnam and Vietnam era (August 1964-May 1976) is welcome to join. Copy of DD214 and \$20 membership fee is all that is required. POC: Sally Johns, 352-3765. www.vietnamveterans1051.org or email etownvva@gmx.com.

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Programs for low-income telephone customers to change

Kentucky Press News Service

FRANKFORT — Changes being made by the Federal Communications Commission mean an end to a program that subsidizes the cost of telephone service for low-income consumers.

"Although the Link-Up program will end April 2, 2012, the Lifeline program, which helps pay the cost of monthly phone bills for eligible consumers, will continue," Kentucky Public Service Commission Chairman David Armstrong said. "We encourage eligible Kentuckians to continue to avail themselves of that program."

The end of the Link-Up program, which has

provided subsidies of as much as \$30 for the initial cost of telephone service, is part of an FCC effort to overhaul low-income assistance programs.

The FCC is shifting the focus away from voice telephone service and toward broadband (high-speed) Internet service.

To help qualifying Kentuckians obtain assistance, the PSC has updated its brochure, *A Guide to Telephone Service Programs for Low-Income Consumers*. The brochure is available at <http://psc.ky.gov/agencies/psc/consumer/lifeline.pdf>.

The Lifeline program contributes up to \$12.75

per month for eligible Kentucky households to maintain a single telephone line, which may be either landline or wireless.

Eligibility is determined by participation in one of several other assistance programs such as Medicaid or the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LI-HEAP), or, as of June 1, by having a household income at or below 135 percent of the federal poverty level.

More than 250,000 Kentucky households participate in the Lifeline program, a lower proportion of households than in many neighboring states, Armstrong said. That indicates that there

are many eligible Kentuckians who do not participate in the program, he said.

"Anyone who is not participating in Lifeline and who thinks their household may be eligible should consult our brochure and contact their local phone company for details on how to apply," Armstrong said.

Other changes being made by the FCC are intended to reduce waste or abuse in the subsidy programs and to begin shifting subsidies to the provision of broadband service. The Lifeline program will continue to be funded through a small surcharge on all telephone bills.

Ky. jobless rate falls to 8.7 percent

Lexington Herald-Leader

Kentucky's unemployment rate remained at less than 9 percent in February, dropping to 8.7 percent. That's down a tad from 8.8 percent in January, which marked the first time in three years that the jobless rate

had been below 9 percent.

February was the eighth consecutive month that the rate has declined, according to the state Office of Employment and Training. However, the state's measure continued to lag the na-

tional rate, which remained at 8.3 percent.

"The employment situation has improved steadily since last summer," state economist Manoj Shanker said in a statement. "However, it is important to realize that there will be some blips

on the way as businesses adapt to the new post-recession economy."

Seven of the state's 11 major economic sectors reported employment increases in February with the state adding 8,000 non-farm jobs during the month.

Farmers to the rescue



DOUGLAS SHEPHERD

Over the past three years, the local Cooperative Extension Service has conducted some forage research plots on several farms involving a product called RyzUp Smartgrass. The results of these trials have been pretty impressive and have been consistent over a wide range of conditions and forage species. Again this spring, it's being further tested in four fields.

The results of this research will be presented to the Hardin County Cattlemen's Association at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Hardin County Extension Service office. A meal will be served, so if you plan to attend, please call the Extension at 765-4121 as soon as possible.

If your pasture and hayfields are in a good state of production with good fertility, and you are interested in increasing your forage production off those fields fairly inexpensively, you might want to consider using this product. If so, plan to attend the meeting Thursday night, it'll be worth your time. This isn't a new product, it's been around since the 1950s, but only until recently has it been produced in such quantities that it is affordable in agricultural forage situations.

■ The Farm Bill training meeting originally scheduled for April 2 at the Hardin County Extension Service office has been postponed because many grain farmers are in the field with spring planting. As soon as we know the re-scheduled date, we'll let you know.

■ Numerous local farm organizations and individuals have donated items and money to help provide farming supplies to livestock producers impacted by the tornado that hit Morgan County. A trailer load of fence posts, barbed wire and feed from Hardin County is being delivered this week to producers there. The Hardin County Cattlemen's Association, Hardin County Young Farmers, Hardin County Extension Grain Committee, Hardin County Farm Bureau Young Farmers, local farm supply dealers and other individuals are providing these items. The Hardin County Cattlemen already had donated money along with other county cattlemen's organizations across the state that in total have provided some \$48,000 worth of

farm supplies to various areas impacted by the tornadoes. Another excellent example of farmers helping farmers.

Miles and miles of fences were destroyed or removed during the storms resulting in hundreds of head of all types of livestock wandering around Eastern Kentucky looking for water and hay. Many others were either killed or severely injured in the storms. From the reports we've received daily from fellow Extension agents in those affected counties, it has been one massive effort to locate and care for all these animals.

■ Smoky Ridge Farm in Elizabethtown is hosting the Southeast Llama Rescue group April 14 at the farm. They are presenting a program about using llamas as flock guardians and demonstrations on handling and care of llamas.

For more information, contact Libby Miller DVM at docterv@windstream.net.

■ Select Sires MidAmerica is holding artificial insemination training school April 11-13. Classroom instruction is at the Hardin County Extension Service office beginning at 8:30 on that Wednesday. Those enrolled in the school will be given the location of the hands-on cow practice. Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 4. If you are interested in attending, please contact Select Sires MidAmerica at 1-800-489-1868. There is a tuition fee for this course.

MARCH WEATHER AND A SPRING FREEZE: This abnormal March weather has everyone wondering about the possibility of a late spring freeze. With the warm weather causing most plants to come out of dormancy some three weeks earlier than normal, many folks have questions about whether there is any correlation between a warm March and the last spring freeze event. The quick answer is no, according to Dr. Chad Lee and Tom Priddy, UK Extension grains and weather spe-

cialists. Last week they ran some numbers from Paducah to Lexington on the warmest months of March over the last 100 years or so. They ranked the top 23 warmest and then identified when the final freeze occurred. For Paducah, the average was April 12, which is four days after the median freeze date for that city. In Lexington, it was April 16, which is one day after the median freeze date. For those 23 warmest March months, the range on final freeze was March 22 to May 27 in Paducah, and April 3 to May 4 in Lexington. In only two years out of those listed for Paducah did the last spring freeze occur in March. For Lexington, the last spring freeze always occurred later than March.

There were several other ways to evaluate the data as well. For example, they looked at how the number of days in March over the past 40 years that had high temperatures above 65 degrees would affect the late spring freeze. There was no correlation. They evaluated all March average temperatures from 1971 to 2011 and compared those to the final freeze date — there was no correlation.

Bottom line, the weather in March is a very poor indicator of when the final spring freeze will occur. This risk of a late spring freeze is about the same regardless of the March weather. However, odds are really good that the last spring freeze will occur sometime in April.

So the real gamble here is whether corn planted in March will survive an April freeze. If only one freeze occurs and the temperature is in the 30s for a short period of time, corn will do just fine. If temperatures are colder or the duration longer, corn will not survive. The gamble is a little larger because of when crop insurance kicks in for corn planting, and whether seed companies will cut deals on replanted seed for corn planted in March.

Farming — the biggest gamble known to man. And the weather — someone other than us is in charge. He knows what is going to happen, we don't have a clue.

Douglas W. Shepherd is a Hardin County Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources

BRIEFCASE

ENERGY

Gas prices already closing in on last year's high

Oil has been rising this year as Western nations confront Iran over its nuclear program. Gasoline pump prices have followed, and are now averaging \$3.90 per gallon.

Here's a breakdown of how oil and other energy prices traded Monday:

On the New York Mer-

cantile Exchange:

■ Crude: added 16 cents Monday to end at \$107.03 per barrel;

■ Gasoline: increased by 3.14 cents to end at \$3.4166 per gallon;

■ Heating oil: added 1.87 cents to finish at \$3.2288 per gallon;

■ Natural gas: fell by 4.9 cents to end the day at \$2.226 per 1,000 cubic feet.

On the ICE futures ex-

change:

■ Brent crude: added 52 cents to finish at \$125.65 per barrel.

From wire reports

MARKETWATCH MONDAY

BIG GAIN FOR STOCKS AFTER BERNANKE REMARKS. Stocks leapt to multi-year highs and recorded one of their biggest gains of the year Monday after Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke suggested that the economy still needs help to produce faster job growth.

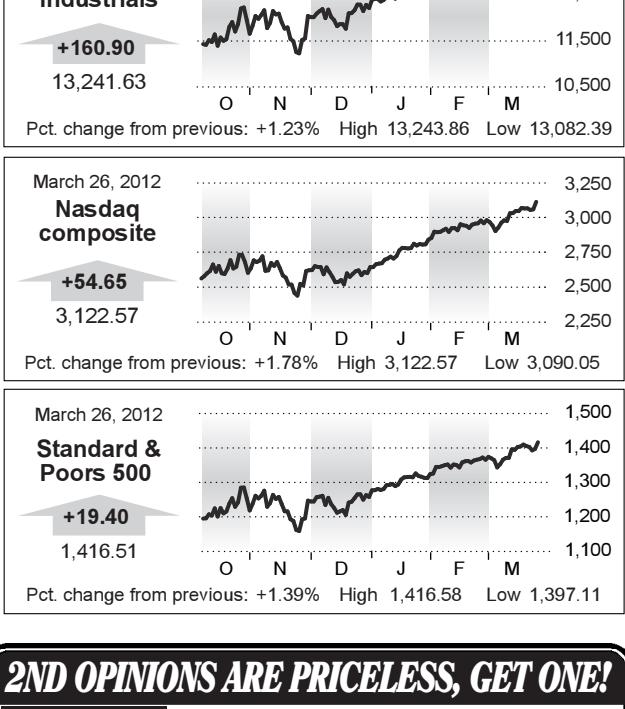
Health care stocks led the market. The Supreme Court heard the first of three days of arguments on the constitutionality of President Barack Obama's 2010 health care law, which will require Americans to carry insurance or pay a penalty. Health care stocks gained 1.7 percent as a group.

Local stocks

How stocks of local and statewide interest fared Monday as compiled by The Wright Legacy Group.

Company	Price	Change	Volume	52wkl-H
Cardinal Health (CAH)	43.28	+1.10	2,664,402	37.53-47.06
Churchill Downs (CHDN)	57.05	-0.20	69,906	36.67-60.00
Corning Inc. (GLW)	14.41	+0.39	16,071,503	11.51-22.05
Dow Chemical (DOW)	35.68	+0.66	7,142,985	20.61-42.23
First Frcl Svcs Corp. (FFKY)	3.34	+0.07	1,690	1.00-5.17
Ford Motor Co. (F)	12.48	+0.16	26,630,276	9.05-16.18
General Electric (GE)	20.05	+0.27	42,667,688	14.02-20.85
Humana Inc. (HUM)	87.99	+2.08	1,386,546	65.20-96.46
Lexmark (LXK)	34.16	-0.12	1,611,597	25.87-38.69
Papa John's (PZZA)	38.01	+0.83	135,703	26.95-40.82
PNC Fin. Svcs (PNC)	63.99	+0.63	3,559,611	42.70-64.37
United Parcel Service (UPS)	80.57	+0.86	3,206,881	60.74-81.79
Verizon Comms (VZ)	39.33	-0.09	33,609,678	32.28-40.48
Wal-Mart Stores (WMT)	61.20	+0.45	6,147,623	48.31-62.63
Yum! Brands (YUM)	71.44	+0.80	2,346,245	47.15-71.47

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GRAIN REPORT

Opening bids for Tuesday, March 27, by elevators/mills to farmers:

	U.S. No. 2 Yellow Corn	U.S. No. 2 White Corn	U.S. No. 1 Yellow Soybeans	U.S. No. 2 Soft Winter Wheat
Trend:	Down 8-11	Down 9	Up 10-14	Up 5-6
Louisville	6.44	6.55-6.66	7.58	6.65
Pennyrile	6.55-6.66	6.55-6.66	13.70-13.87	6.70
Purchase	6.51	6.51	13.79	6.48
Central Bluegrass	6.05	6.44	13.25-13.60	6.59
Cumberland Lake				6.16
Mammoth Cave	6.57-6.63	6.40-6.60	13.65-13.74	6.39-6.50
Lincoln Trail				
	U.S. No. 2 Oats	Feed Extra Heavy Barley		
Trend:	Down 9	Down 6		
Mammoth Cave	6.48	4.64		
	U.S. No. 2 Yellow Corn	U.S. No. 1 Yellow Soybeans	U.S. No. 2 Soft Winter Wheat	
Louisville	5.19	12.91	6.60	
Pennyrile	5.43-5.57	13.04-13.14	6.55-6.71	6.58
Purchase	5.14	5.29	12.95	6.18-6.36
Central Bluegrass	5.3			



ASK FOOD

Does cholesterol you eat affect cholesterol numbers?

Food Network Kitchens

Q: I read that the cholesterol you eat does not affect your cholesterol numbers, but, rather, it's the saturated fat you need to watch. Is this true? Can I eat shellfish and lean meat and not worry about my cholesterol?

A: It's true that saturated fat influences your cholesterol numbers more than the cholesterol you eat.

Studies show it's really the saturated fat found in foods such as whole milk and other dairy products, baked goods, fatty beef, pork, lamb and chicken (especially the skin) that have a bigger influence on raising your "bad" (LDL) cholesterol.

Shellfish are high in cholesterol, but pretty low in calories and saturated fat, too. Three ounces of raw shrimp has 90 calories, 1 gram of fat, minimal saturated fat and 129 milligrams of cholesterol (which is 43 percent of your daily recommended amount of cholesterol).

Moderation still is important. You can get a low-calorie meal with a 3- to 4-ounce portion of shellfish and still be within your recommended amount of cholesterol for the day. The same goes for eating lean meats. You don't need to be afraid to incorporate these "high"-cholesterol foods into your diet. Many of them actually are good for you.

FOOD TIPS

Eat cruciferous veggies for health

Food Network Kitchens

Cruciferous vegetables include cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, turnips, kale and Brussels sprouts. These superstar veggies are packed with so many nutrients that it's tough to keep count. They contain fiber, vitamins A and C, riboflavin, B6, folic acid, magnesium, potassium and omega-3 fats. What's more, they also have plant chemicals known as glucosinolates that have been shown to help reduce the risk of various types of cancer.

A 2011 study in the *International Journal of Urology* found that the more veggies that were eaten from the cabbage family, the lower the risk of prostate cancer. According to the American Institute for Cancer Research, studies also link the various components in cruciferous veggies to helping reduce the risk of colorectal, esophageal, stomach, mouth and pancreatic cancer.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS. These green jewels can be broiled, roasted, steamed or sliced and sauteed.

Broccoli. Studies show cooking broccoli may enhance its cancer-fighting properties. Keep a bag in the freezer and toss into pasta, soups, stews, stir-fry and rice dishes.

KALE. There are many varieties of this leafy veggie, including dinosaur (aka Cavolo Nero), curly and plain-leaved. If using raw in a salad, don't chop or tear until you're ready to use it in order to preserve the vitamin C.

CABBAGE. Green or red, cabbage contains a plethora of nutrients. Red cabbage also contains anthocyanins, a potent anti-inflammatory antioxidant.

CAULIFLOWER. Although peak season is September through November, you can still find cauliflower in your frozen-food aisle; look for brands without added butter or sauce.

BOK CHOY. Add this green veggie to soups or stir-fry. Raw bok choy adds a sweet crunch to salads and sandwiches, too.



KITCHEN ADVENTURES

Easy cinnamon breakfast treats

A few months ago, I wrote a column about how much I loved my Belgian waffle maker. In it, I wrote about a cinnamon roll waffle recipe and many people called asking for specifics.

It's simple.

Buy a can of refrigerated cinnamon rolls, cook them in the waffle maker until the light comes on, ice while warm, then eat.

These are super tasty treats that I confess I have eaten one too many times since discovering the recipe.

After finding this recipe I have discovered other simple cinnamon treats on Pinterest. For those not familiar with Pinterest, it is a website for idea sharing. You can find recipes, craft ideas, wardrobe suggestions and a variety of other things.

When you find posts that interest you, you can save them on your board and go back to the originating websites or blogs. I like it because it's a place I can store ideas and recipes without having to print them all and find space for them.

Warning: This website can be addictive.

I also enjoy visiting the blogs and seeing their creative names, such as the ones from today's recipes — Little Bit Funky, Velvet Lava Café and A Hen's Net.

Cinnamon doughnuts might be one of my new favorite quick breakfast treats. They are made from a can of jumbo sized biscuits. You cut a hole in the middle — I used the holes to make doughnut holes — and fry them in vegetable oil.

There are a couple things I did differently from the recipe. I didn't dip the doughnuts in butter before coating them with cinnamon and sugar. I found if you take them directly out of the oil and dip them, the topping stays on well.

Also, if you can, use a



BECCA OWSLEY



Cinnamon breakfast goodies. Below, simple Cinnamon Roll Waffles.

FRENCH BREAKFAST MUFFINS

1/3 cup butter, melted
1/2 cup sugar
1 egg (preferably room temperature)
1 1/2 cups all purpose flour
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a medium-large bowl, sift together all dry ingredients. Add wet ingredients and stir until combined, but still a bit lumpy. Don't overmix.

Using a large ice cream scoop, scoop batter into muffin tins that are sprayed with cooking spray. This makes 8 larger muffins but you could get 10 to 12 muffins by distributing batter less generously.

Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until they just start to turn golden at the edges.

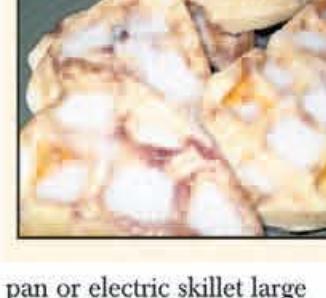
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 cup milk
Topping
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup butter, melted
1 teaspoon cinnamon

Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until they just start to turn golden at the edges.

For the topping, mix sugar and cinnamon in a small bowl. Place melted butter in another small bowl. Dip the warm muffins in melted butter.

You can dip just the top, but it's even tastier to dip the whole muffin. Dip and roll the muffin in cinnamon sugar mix.

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One can refrigerated cinnamon rolls
A waffle maker

Spray waffle maker and place cinnamon rolls in the heated waffle maker. Cook for about 3 minutes and remove. Ice while warm.

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CINNAMON ROLL WAFFLES

One can refrigerated cinnamon rolls

A waffle maker

Spray waffle maker and place cinnamon rolls in the heated waffle maker. Cook for about 3 minutes and remove. Ice while warm.

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CINNAMON DOUGHNUTS

Canned Grands biscuits (anything but the flaky layer kind)
Melted butter in a shallow bowl (4 tablespoons per 8 biscuits)
Sugar and cinnamon
Enough vegetable oil to fill pan about 1/2 inch

Heat oil for a few minutes on medium heat in a stovetop pan or electric skillet. While heating the oil, cut holes in the doughnuts (biscuits) with a cookie cutter or other circular object. Stars would work too.

When one side is golden brown, flip with tongs. When that side is golden remove from oil and place on a paper-towel lined pan or plate.

Mix together cinnamon and sugar in your favorite proportions for a medium brown mixture.

When the doughnuts have cooled enough to handle, dip one side in the melted butter, let the excess drip off, dip in cinnamon and sugar mixture. Get it nice and coated. Flip over and repeat for the other side

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pan or electric skillet large enough to make them all in one batch. After the first set of doughnuts, the oil doesn't work as well for a second batch. I'm not sure if it was because the oil already had been used or if it got too hot but the second batch cooked quicker on the outside than the inside and tasted a bit burnt.

The first batch, especially fresh and warm from the fryer, were delicious.

Another recipe I've found, French breakfast muffins, also didn't take much time or effort.

I used a large ice cream scoop to put the batter in muffin tins so the recipe made about eight good sized muffins. The added bonus was coating the entire muffin in a cinnamon and sugar mixture. It only took about 35 minutes to create a muffin from scratch. Other than nutmeg they were

made from things found in most kitchens, which makes it a good recipe in a pinch.

Any of these recipes can be used for a quick sweet for breakfast or fast for unexpected overnight guests.

They also leave your house smelling like fresh baked cinnamon treats all morning.

Becca Owsley can be reached at (270) 505-1741.

A DASH OF CLASS

Recipes from a World Day of Prayer event



NORA SWEAT

Worldwide Day of Prayer is a worldwide ecumenical movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday in March. Each year a different country serves as the writer of the World Day of Prayer worship service.

On March 1, Christian women gathered at First Baptist Church in Elizabethtown for "Let Justice Prevail," written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Malaysia. Linda Funk with Church Women United welcomed the women of Hardin and LaRue counties. I was one of the attendees and it was a very emotional service as two refugees from Malaysia spoke to the group in very good English. Thang Sanga and Lal Zan are just two of the more than 1,000 refugees helped by Catholic Charities in Louisville. They receive clothing, food, housing and education to become independent individuals.

The love offering taken at the gathering was to be given to Catholic Charities for their work with refugees.

Following the Day of Prayer, ladies from First Baptist Church served a lovely lunch and, as an addition from the country of Malaysia, were foods prepared by Church Women United leaders. The food there was very tasty and I have included the recipes today. If the amounts seem strange,

SWEET POTATO BALLS

1 pound sweet potatoes
3 T. sesame seeds
Water
Oil for frying
1/4 c. all purpose flour
1/4 c. sugar

Boil sweet potatoes for 15 minutes. Peel the skin off the sweet potatoes and discard. Smash the sweet potatoes and combine them with flour, sugar and just enough water to form smooth dough that is soft in texture but not sticky. Divide the dough into small, equal portions and roll them into balls. Coat the balls with sesame seeds. Deep fry the sweet potato balls until they are golden brown. Drain well before serving.

■ Serves 10

FRIED BANANA

3 large, ripe bananas
1 1/2 c. flour
1 T plus 1 1/2 t. sugar
1 egg
Water
Oil for frying

Break the bananas into small pieces and put them into a bowl. Add flour, egg, sugar and just enough water to form soft, smooth dough. Use a big spoon to stir the ingredients so they are well blended. Heat a frying pan and add enough cooking oil for deep frying. Once the oil is heated, scoop a spoonful of batter into the frying pan. Try to shape the batter so it is somewhat round. Deep fry until golden brown. Drain well after cooking.

■ Serves 6 to 8

PINEAPPLE TARTS

2 1/2 c. all purpose flour
2 T. cornstarch
1/4 t. salt
1/4 c. confectioner's sugar
2 sticks butter
2 egg yolks
1 egg yolk, lightly beaten for egg wash

Drain the pineapple slices and squeeze extra juice from them with your hands. Blend the pineapple until it is mushy, about 10 seconds. Cook the pineapple and sugar over medium heat until most of the liquid has evaporated and the mixture is golden. Stir constantly, using a wooden spoon, to avoid burning. Taste, and add more sugar if needed. Add in the cornstarch mixture to thicken. Cool in the refrigerator.

To make the pastry, sift the flour, cornstarch, salt and sugar into a medium bowl. Soften the butter to room temperature. Add the egg yolks and flour mixture. Knead to form the dough.

Divide the dough and pineapple filling each into 24 rounds. Flatten the dough, put the filling in the center, and use the dough to cover the filling. Use your palms to round it up and shape it into a roll about 1 1/2 inches long. Use a fork to make criss-cross patterns on the tart, and then brush the tart with the egg wash. Bake tarts at 350 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes or until light brown.

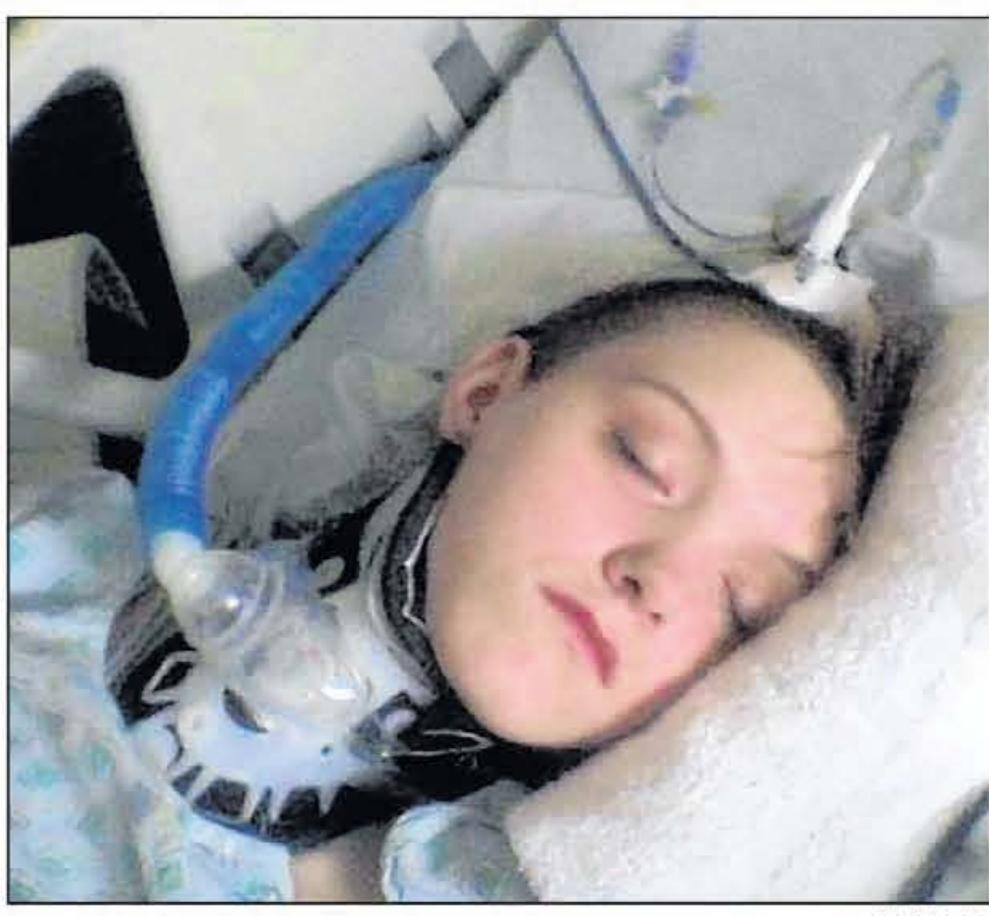
■ Makes 24.

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I hope you put on your calendar the 2013 World Day of Prayer. It is the first Friday in March and a prayer service to be followed will be written by French women and the theme will be "I was a

stranger and you welcomed me." The location will be announced later.

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Submitted photo

Above, Jennifer Hornback while at University Hospital in Louisville.

HORNBACK: 'You don't want to cause this to happen ...'

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Jennifer doesn't know whether the other driver, Jessica L. Christie, of Elizabethtown, was practicing any unsafe driving habits at the time of the crash. No charges were filed against her.

Regardless, Jennifer wants her situation to be a cautionary tale as young people celebrate the end of the school year. She wants students who might be living life as she lived hers to make good decisions, such as driving sober and not texting while driving.

"As a teenager, I thought I was invincible," she said. "I never thought anything bad could happen to me."

Half of traumatic injuries are the result of vehicle collisions, Jennifer said.

She never gets in a car now without putting on a seat belt.

"I now realize that I'm not invincible," she said. "I have worked hard to get back most of what I lost. I'm not ever going back to that place again. I'm just going forward."

Jennifer's mother, Donna Hornback of Elizabethtown, said she had been living one minute at a time from the moment a school official told her to get to the hospital until her

daughter woke from a coma.

Then, she and other loved ones had to explain to Jennifer that life never would be exactly the same again.

"There was just so much to tell," she said.

Jennifer had adjustments to make after waking up from her coma. She had gone from a self-sufficient teenager to being unable to hold up her head and unable to feed, bathe or dress herself, go to the bathroom alone, or perform any of the other necessary tasks she never thought would be lost to her.

She tried to use sign language with her one responding arm to communicate, but her mother did not understand her. She tried to write, but the words came out as scribbles on paper.

"It was something I had to live with," she said. "At the time, I didn't understand."

During her six weeks of in-patient care, Jennifer went through a period of anger and depression common to individuals who suffer traumatic brain injuries and said hurtful things to people she knew.

Surgeries since the crash have included two brain drains, two on the torn muscles in her eyes, a stent where her trachea collapsed and spinal cord repairs.

That didn't stop Jennifer from working in physi-

cal therapy and rehabilitation, coupled with her brain healing itself, to regain as much of her physical and mental skills as possible.

Seeing other people in rehabilitation struggling with their own challenges also inspired her to push herself through the hard work of vocal exercises, arm stretches, workout machines, journaling, cognitive group and debate group needed to restore her ability to take care of herself.

She has regained the use of her left leg and can walk.

Jennifer also has gained confidence that allows her to be in public, something she couldn't bear to do after coming home after the crash. She especially hated to be out in Elizabethtown, where people knew her and might feel sorry for her.

"People are going to stare, no matter where you go. I've learned to ignore it," she said, then pointed at her mother. "She hasn't so much."

Doctors at first predicted Jennifer's situation would not improve to the point that it has.

The young woman isn't finished recovering her abilities and her future. She plans to attend college one day and is considering a career in physical therapy or sports medicine.

Donna said her daughter enjoys visiting her origi-



JILL PICKETT/The News-Enterprise

Jennifer Hornback smiles Saturday as she speaks about how a car wreck in 2009 changed her life and about some of the rehabilitation process.

inal neurosurgeon and other medical professionals who helped her three years ago.

"She wants to show them that she beat the odds," she said.

Donna is proud of her daughter.

"She stands up for herself and takes care of business," she said.

Jennifer hopes no one else will have to learn what she has or work as hard as she has for recovery.

"Even though I don't hold any anger toward anyone, you don't want to be the person at this end, and you don't want to cause this to happen to anyone else," she said.

"Could you live with yourself? God has helped me change paths in life, and I

am ready for His journey."

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CONSOLIDATION:

Majority vote must carry countywide

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Other components of the bill were added at the request of other Kentucky communities considering a form of consolidated government and to win support of interested organizations such as the Kentucky League of Cities and Kentucky Association of Counties.

The bill's primary sponsor, Rep. Jimmie Lee, D-Elizabethtown, said those additions should have no impact on Hardin County's plans.

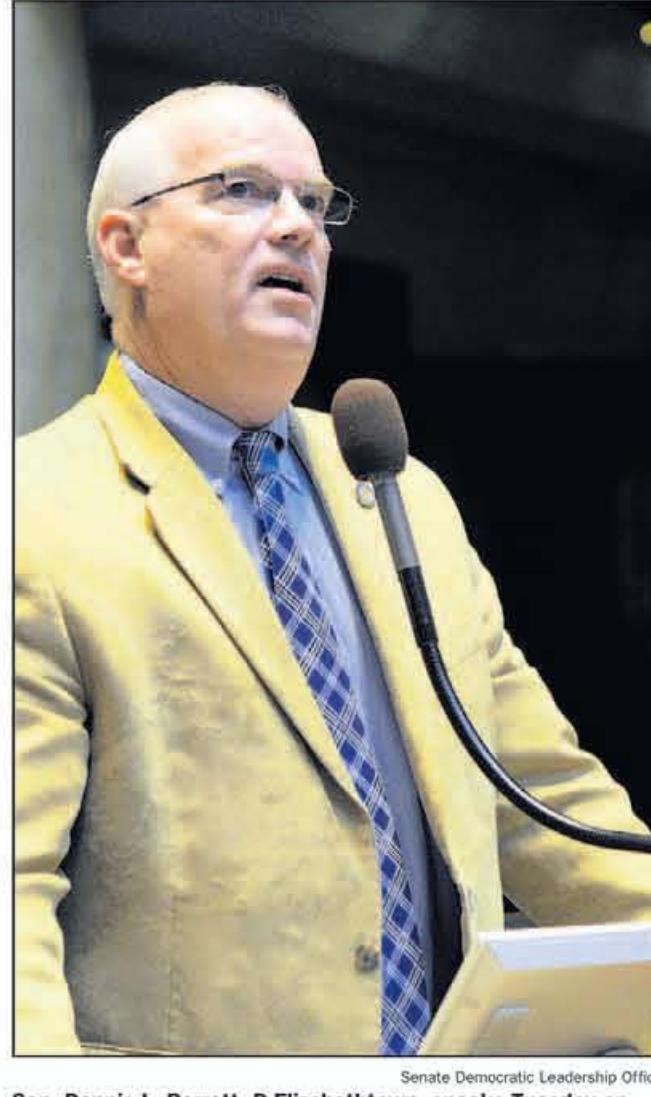
For example, one provision delays implementation until January of 2013 so as not to disrupt a pending vote in Paducah and McCracken County.

Judge-Executive Harry Berry, who also is HCU's chairman, said he doesn't expect any immediate local action because a voter referendum could not be scheduled before 2014.

State law requires consolidated government votes to be conducted during a November general election and Kentucky has no election cycle in 2013.

Local officials had encouraged changes in the state law before considering establishment of a commission to draft a plan for unified government that voters would be asked to consider. Any change ultimately requires voter approval in a referendum.

The bill as approved also requires a majority vote to carry countywide to approve the consolidation plan. The largest city in the county – in this case, Elizabethtown – must be a participant or municipalities with a population accounting for a least half of the county's residents.



Senate Democratic Leadership Office

Sen. Dennis L. Parrett, D-Elizabethtown, speaks Tuesday on the floor of the Kentucky State Senate on House Bill 189, sponsored by Rep. Jimmie Lee, D-Elizabethtown. HB 189 relates to merged governments by establishing criteria for the actions that would be involved in merging city and county governments. Parrett carried Lee's bill in the Senate.

State Sen. Dennis Parrett, who supported the bill in the Senate, said he will work locally to ensure any talks of consolidation include both Elizabethtown and Radcliff because the county's metro area includes two cities of similar size.

Parrett said he considered anything less to be "a disaster waiting to happen."

Radcliff City Council is on the record as opposing consolidation. The process for establishing a commission to draft a merger proposal requires Fiscal Court and any interested city government to approve

participation ordinances that establish a commission to draft a plan for voter consideration.

Parrett said he was "quite pleased" the bill was approved without dissent.

Berry said the bill's passage through both chambers of the General Assembly without a single no vote supports one of his principal arguments.

"The unanimous vote does speak well of it," he said. "It goes back to a point I have made all along, we're letting the voters decide."

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DOGS: Couple could face up to 12 months in jail

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Riggs said there was evidence the dogs were being sold.

According to court records, dog raising is the McCarthys' only source of income outside of food stamps or assistance from family members.

Brian McCarthy, 48, listed himself as unem-

ployed and indicated he has not held a job in more than 10 years, according to an affidavit.

The McCarthys were released Wednesday night from Hardin County Detention Center on \$2,500 unsecured bonds. Bond conditions include the two are not to possess any animals, and they must permit law enforcement to search their residence to check for animals.

The couple is scheduled to appear for arraignment at 8:30 a.m. April 4 in Hardin District Court. On

Monday, Hardin County court records did not show an attorney in the case, and the couple indicated in their affidavits of indigence they could not afford one.

Joyce McCarthy declined to speak to *The News-Enterprise* last Thursday, but in an interview with Louisville TV station WLKY, she told a reporter her dogs were not neglected.

Arrest citations say responding officers found two rooms with about 40 dogs inside each and additional animals in the home.

No water was evident.

Volunteers and officials who recovered the dogs reported finding dead animals, and at least one dead dog was inside a cage with other dogs. Several others were sick, pregnant or nursing pups.

The dogs are being held at Hardin County Animal Control and Pet Protection Inc. as evidence.

Animal Control Director Jerry Foley said he could not comment on

the state of the dogs because of the ongoing case. However, he added if medical care is required, the agency can provide it.

Law enforcement officials have not charged the McCarthys with running a "puppy mill" as no such law exists in Kentucky.

However, the two are charged with violating Kentucky Revised Statute 535.130, which states a person is guilty when he or she "intentionally or wan-

tonly subjects any animal to or causes cruel or injurious mistreatment through... failing to provide adequate food, drink, space, or health care."

If found guilty of second-degree animal cruelty, the pair face up to 12 months in jail. Neither has a criminal history in Hardin County, according to court records.

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BURGLARY: 'I felt extremely violated'

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family's Australian Shepherd, Murphy, also was outside and had been indoors when she left.

When she looked in the living room, she saw drawer after drawer open.

"I just started to scream and scream and scream," she said. "While we were gone, somebody came into the house. I felt extremely violated."

Among the items stolen was a gold pocket watch collection of more

than 30 watches, knives, jewelry, old coins, prescription medicine, cash and firearms. The coin collection was given to Lanny Skees by his grandparents.

She said the pocket watch collection had been shared with the father and an uncle of Skees and some of the watches came from the late 1800s and early 1900s.

"It was material stuff, but it was ours," she said.

She said she planned to give many of the items to family and friends as a way to remember her husband, who was diagnosed last October with leukemia.

Skees went to a flea market over the week-

end in Shepherdsville to alert management to be on the look out for the items.

She said she is convinced whoever stole the items either knew the family, knew what her husband owned or both.

"They probably knew our dog, because he's a barker and he was unharmed and I'm grateful for that," she said.

She said the return of any of the items would help during this difficult time. The couple would have been married 10 years in June.

"If I could get any of it back, I would be very appreciative," she said.

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Central's Thomas resigns as coach

By CHUCK JONES
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The Central Hardin girls' basketball program is undergoing another coaching change as Demond Thomas resigned Monday after one season with the Lady Bruins.

Thomas led the Lady Bruins to a 9-21 record, but more importantly, he created a buzz around the program that was sorely missing since legendary coach Terry Buckles retired following the 2008-09 season.

"It actually did (surprise me)," Central Hardin athletic director Chris Bauer said. "I saw a lot of good things this past basketball season. He worked hard to change things. I thought our effort was good and our fundamentals were better this year. I saw us making progress."

Thomas said he didn't make a

snap decision. After Central Hardin's 82-24 loss to Elizabethtown in the 17th District Tournament semifinals, Thomas thought long and hard about the choice in front of him.

"It was a personal conflict going on," Thomas said. "My daughter (Taylor) is getting older and I wanted to be able to watch her play. I talked to Coach Bauer about three weeks ago and he told me to take some time. I really thought hard about it before I made my decision."

Moving over from a boys' assistant to being in charge of the girls' program was a huge change for Thomas, who is also an assistant baseball coach.

"Honestly, it was like a big shock to me," Thomas said. "Some people say it's no different, but it was a big difference for me. I have three daugh-

ters, but I've never coached them. There are certain things you do with boys that you can't do with girls. It was really difficult."

After having stability with Buckles over the program for 19 years, Central Hardin will be searching for its fourth coach in five years. David Robbins followed Buckles, going 21-33 in two years before Thomas took over.

Bauer said the job will be posted and they'll swiftly begin the search for the next coach. He said the goal is not to make a quick decision, but to make the right decision.

"The No. 1 thing obviously is we have to do what's best for the kids," Bauer said. "Having four coaches in five years is not a winning formula. We need to find someone qualified

Turn to THOMAS, B3



Demond Thomas was 9-21 as Central Hardin's girls' basketball coach this season. Thomas resigned Monday after just one season as the Lady Bruins' leader.

FILE PHOTO/The News-Enterprise

'Nole Way: Gumm verbally commits to Florida State

By NATHANIEL BRYAN
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It was the Monday qualifying round for the 2005 Women's State Amateur Championship at Shelbyville Country Club when Elizabethtown's Kim Hartlage had her first encounter with Lydia Gumm.

Hartlage was a group ahead of Gumm and had just finished play on a challenging par-three hole when an 11-year-old lefty surprised her by knocking her drive within 5 feet of the pin.

"At that time, I'm like, 'Boy, am I going to be reading about this girl for a while,'" said Hartlage, one of the state's top female amateurs who was a standout on the NCAA Division-I level at Western Kentucky University.

Another Elizabethtown resident who shined against D-I competition, Beverly Games, said Gumm is as down to earth as any younger golfer she's seen.

"I think the thing that impresses me the most about Lydia, other than the fact that she's a great player and she has so much potential, is she has the best attitude of any young person I've played with," said Games, a two-time Women's State Am finalist who was a standout at Eastern Kentucky. "Lydia's very genuine and she's very sincere. And when she talks to you, she's very gracious when she wins and she's the same way when she loses."

Gumm's sincerity shined Sunday night after she gave a verbal commitment to Florida State. The North Hardin High School junior called the multiple other D-I colleges who recruited her



North Hardin High School junior standout Lydia Gumm has given a verbal commitment to play golf on the NCAA Division-I level at Florida State.

and apologized for wasting their time.

"I felt I owed the coaches that amount of respect since that had enough respect for me to come watch me play," Gumm, 18, said

Monday night after a round at Vine Grove's Lincoln Trail Country Club. "To call all of them was one of the hardest things I've ever done. ... It wasn't easy and it was an emotional night,

but I felt I had to do it. They needed to hear from me instead of in a text or letter."

Turn to GUMM, B3



CATLETT

Catlett to succeed Hinkle as E'town's volleyball coach

By JOHN GROTH
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Bart Catlett has been around the Elizabethtown High School volleyball team for more than a decade.

He's served in plenty of roles for the Lady Panthers — from assistant coach to individual instructor to offseason teacher — during that time span.

Now, the 41-year-old is going to be involved with the program in one more way — as its main man.

"It's my alma mater," said Catlett, a 1988 Elizabethtown graduate. "Tim (Hinkle) had been doing a good job. I just didn't want to see them go backwards. I just wanted to see them progress."

After signing some paperwork Monday, Catlett will be the team's new coach — pending he passes a coaches' education class since he isn't a teacher, according to Elizabethtown athletic director Doug Barnes. He's CPR certified, which is another requirement.

Catlett will take over for Hinkle, who resigned in October. Hinkle finished with a 147-47 career record in five seasons and guided the Panthers to two 17th District Tournament titles, along with a 5th Region championship and state appearance in 2007. Elizabethtown went 27-9 this past season, losing to Bardstown Bethlehem in the region tournament quarterfinals.

Catlett hopes he can help the Lady Panthers reach the state tournament in Louisville. His goal is to have them advance there every year. With his volleyball background and coaching experience, he could make it a reality.

A former volleyball player, Catlett competed in beach doubles tournaments in the Midwest Professional Volleyball Association and the Jose Cuervo Tour and indoor tournaments in the United States Volleyball Association during the 1990s. He also helped coach the Louisville St. Xavier boys' club volleyball team during the mid-90s with Rick Nold — who was named Auburn University's volleyball coach last year.

But he's been in the area for awhile. Catlett served as an assistant for Elizabethtown during its first two seasons in 2001 and 2002 when Brian Walters, who now leads the John Hardin Lady Bulldogs, was the Lady Panthers' coach.

"Bart brings a tremendous amount of knowledge to the game, not only from a strategic standpoint but from a technique standpoint," Walters said. "He

Turn to CATLETT, B3



Cards' Russ Smith is both playmaker and a problem

By COLIN FLY
AP Sports Writer

LOUISVILLE — Louisville sophomore guard Russ Smith is the offensive catalyst who plays entirely by feel — often frustrating coach Rick Pitino.

Yet, Pitino knows he can't win without his frenetic playmaker.

Smith is averaging 13.3 points per game in the NCAA Tournament and his

Louisville sophomore guard Russ Smith is averaging 13.3 points per game during the NCAA Tournament.

play will be pivotal when Louisville faces Kentucky in Saturday's rematch at the Final Four in New Orleans.

Smith scored 30 points in the Cardinals' 69-62 loss to the Wildcats on Dec. 31 — the most points any individual scored against Kentucky this season.

But Smith has mental lapses that raise Pitino's ire. Smith, often sums up his play by saying he doesn't know why he does what he does.

Pitino coined another term for his inconsistency: "Russdiculous."

Smith's antics led Pitino to say during a Monday teleconference that Senegal native Gorgui Dieng is not the only foreign-born player on his roster.

"He's not from a different country," Pitino said of Smith, "he's from a different planet."

Smith has ably directed Louisville's offense for long stretches. At other times, he's been able to shoot himself straight to the bench.

Every time he's dribbling the ball it's a good bet something interesting is going to happen.

"It's just that you can't fathom what he's going to do when he takes you off the bounce," Pitino said. "That's the difficult thing coaching him."

Almost enough to make Pitino lose it.

After one game this season, he called coaching Smith the closest thing he's ever had to a nervous breakdown, and Smith is often seen apologizing to Pitino on the bench or after games.

Turn to SMITH, B3



PREP BASEBALL

Westerfield powers Bruins past Nelson County, 9-2

The News-Enterprise

Powered by senior Derek Westerfield, the second-ranked Central Hardin Bruins won their second straight game Monday.

Westerfield had three hits, including a double, and three RBIs to lead the host Bruins to a 9-2 win over Nelson County.

Senior Dustin Kindervater had two singles, two runs scored and an RBI, while junior Gabe Hogan added an RBI single of his own for the Bruins (3-1).

Central Hardin led 6-2 after three innings.

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UP NEXT: Central Hardin plays at Fort Knox at 5:30 p.m. today.							

JOHN HARDIN 6, HART COUNTY 3. Sophomore Dale Gumm struck out seven to lead the host Bulldogs (5-1) past the Raiders (3-4).

Gumm (2-0) scattered three hits, three unearned runs and two walks in six innings as John Hardin won its third straight.

Senior Sam Brashear and junior Garrett Ray each had an RBI single for the Bulldogs, who led 6-1 after three innings.

JOHN HARDIN 6, HART COUNTY 3

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Trey Johnson, Zack Jewell (2), Cody Underwood (6) and Seth Thompson. Dale Gumm, Michael Gann (7) and Zach Miller. WP: Gumm (2-0). LP: Johnson. 2B: Steven Riggs (HC).							
UP NEXT: John Hardin plays at Elizabethtown at 5:30 p.m. Thursday.							

LARUE COUNTY 5, BARDSTOWN 1. Hawks coach Chris Price thought junior pitcher Cole Hughes had his most consistent outing this season.

Hughes (2-0) threw all seven innings, giving up five hits and one earned run. He also struck out five and walked one.

Senior Trevor Skaggs went 2-for-3 with an RBI single, a bunt single and a run scored, while senior Kyle Sheeran added a double for the Hawks (3-1).

LARUE COUNTY 5, BARDSTOWN 1

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Shunta Muth and Devin Riffe. Cole Hughes and Slade Owens. WP: Hughes (2-0). LP: Muto. 2B: Kyle Sheeran (LC).							
UP NEXT: LaRue County hosts Marion County at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday.							

GRAYSON COUNTY 4, ELIZABETHTOWN 3, 8 INNINGS. Junior Dalton Logsdon singled to plate freshman Logan Ramsey in the top of the eighth as the Cougars (4-2) knocked off the Panthers (1-5).

Freshman Zeke Pinkham had a single, a double and two RBIs for Elizabethtown, while freshman Cody Bridges had an RBI single.

Hunter Sullivan (0-1) took the loss as he allowed one unearned run, one hit and one walk in one inning of relief.

GRAYSON COUNTY 4, ELIZABETHTOWN 3

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UP NEXT: Elizabethtown plays at North Hardin at 5:30 p.m. today.						

AROUND THE AREA

TODAY

Event		Time	Station
PREP BASEBALL			
Central at Fort Knox		5:30 p.m.	
Elizabethtown at North Hardin		5:30 p.m.	
Meade County at Louisville Fairdale		5:30 p.m.	
John Hardin at Breckinridge County		6 p.m.	
PREP SOFTBALL			
Butler County at Meade County		5:30 p.m.	
Central Hardin at Louisville Pleasure Ridge Park		6 p.m.	
John Hardin at Caverna		6 p.m.	
LaRue County at Elizabethtown		6:30 p.m.	
Green County at North Hardin		6:30 p.m.	
5th Region All 'A' Classic		6 p.m.	
Fort Knox at Campbellsville			
PREP TENNIS			
North Hardin at Central Hardin		4 p.m.	
John Hardin at Elizabethtown		4:30 p.m.	

WEDNESDAY

Event		Time	Station
PREP BASEBALL			
Marion County at LaRue County		5:30 p.m.	
LaRue County at Elizabethtown		4:30 p.m.	

ON THE AIR

Event		Time	Station
BASEBALL			
MLB Spring Training			
Angels vs. Giants		4 p.m.	ESPN2
College		7 p.m.	CSS
Clemson at Georgia			
BASKETBALL			
Women's College: NCAA Tournament Region Finals		7 p.m.	ESPN
UConn vs. Kentucky		9 p.m.	ESPN
Maryland vs. Notre Dame			
Men's College: NIT Semifinals			
UConn vs. Stanford		7 p.m.	ESPN2
Washington vs. Minnesota		9 p.m.	ESPN2
HOCKEY			
NHL			
Lightning at Bruins		7:30 p.m.	NBC Sports
SOCCER			
UEFA Champions League Quarterfinals		2:30 p.m.	FSN
APOEL vs. Real Madrid		8 p.m.	FSN
Benfica vs. Chelsea			

WEDNESDAY

Event		Time	Station
BASEBALL			
MLB Spring Training			
Yankees vs. Braves		1 p.m.	ESPN
BASKETBALL			
NBA			
Magic at Knicks		7 p.m.	ESPN
PREP			
McDonald's All-American Game		9:30 p.m.	ESPN
HOCKEY			
NHL			
Red Wings at Blue Jackets		7:30 p.m.	NBC Sports
Sharks at Ducks		10 p.m.	NBC Sports
SOCCER			
UEFA Champions League Quarterfinals		2:30 p.m.	FSN
Bayern Munich at Marseille		8 p.m.	FSN
Barcelona at AC Milan			
TENNIS			
WTF Tour/WTA: Sony Ericsson Open at Key Biscayne, Fla.			
Quarterfinals		1 p.m.	ESPN2
Quarterfinals		7 p.m.	ESPN2

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COLLEGE HOOPS

Top talent defines this year's Final Four

By EDDIE PELLS
The Associated Press

Lurking in virtually every corner of the Superdome this weekend will be lottery picks, some other NBA first rounders and assorted Associated Press All-Americans.

Everywhere, that is, except the Louisville locker room.

This year's Final Four features three teams — Kentucky, Kansas and Ohio State — with their fair share of the country's most gifted players, and a fourth with a coach who has squeezed the most out of the next tier of talent.

Does that make Louisville's Rick Pitino the best coach, or say something about John Calipari, Bill Self and Thad Matta? Well, those three might tell you something about how tough it is dealing with a bench full of stars.

"A lot of coaches would agree that, at times, coaching teams with a ton of talent is probably more difficult because you're constantly trying to get the maximum out of them," said Matta, who has a star in AP All-American first-teamer Jared Sullinger, widely viewed as a top-15 NBA draft pick.

"It's so much easier to get to the top than stay at the top. A lot of times when you have a team that's loaded, you fight a lot more adversity on the outside than when you're scraping to get to the top."

Which brings us to the Kentucky Wildcats, who play Louisville on Saturday in the first semifinal.

By choice, Calipari has developed a program so overflowing with top-level talent that he's spending more time looking to replace players after a season or two than developing them over four.

Freshman Anthony Davis, another AP All-American, will likely be the top player in the draft should he leave after this season. Classmate Michael Kidd-Gilchrist won't be far behind. Freshman Marquis Teague and sophomores Terrence Jones and Doron Lamb will also have a chance at the first round if they leave.

So Calipari must be the most persuasive (some might have another adjective to describe this after those run-ins with the NCAA) recruiter in history, right?

"We don't do anything outlandish," he said. "We're not promising minutes or

shots. They've just really got to trust that you have their best interest at heart. It's a players-first program and they learn that, as you sacrifice, we all gain, as individuals and as a team."

Getting his players to buy into that, and to come to a team where they aren't guaranteed to be the only star, might be Calipari's biggest accomplishment as a coach. But once they get there, he insists he's doing more than simply rolling the ball out on the floor.

Kentucky leads the nation in field goal defense and blocked shots and has a nearly 6-5 assist-to-turnover ratio. Stoked by this combination of less-glamorous numbers, Calipari claims he has the most efficient team in the country.

"What I'm going to try to do is get guys to play as well as they can play," he said. "Let's go out and play great. If it's not good enough, let's make sure we have more fun than anyone else and we'll take the results from there."

While Calipari tries to get the most out of a lot of talent, Pitino has been playing a different game this season. He is the only

Final Four coach without an AP first-teamer. In fact, there were no Louisville players on the second or third teams either, or even on the honorable mention list.

According to most lists, not a single one of Pitino's players would get drafted by the NBA if they left this year. Meanwhile, a raft of injuries and roster adjustments has turned every practice this season into an adventure. Pitino coaxed his sixth Final Four trip out of a team that reminds him in many ways of his first — his 1987 Providence team, headlined by Billy Donovan.

Louisville is led by point guard Peyton Siva and center Gorgui Dieng. Yet they went down the stretch in a tight game against Florida with Siva fouled out and with a relatively unheralded freshman, Chane Behanan, taking over.

"We may not have as much talent in certain areas as other teams," Pitino said. "But there's young talent and we're going to develop."

SMITH: admits he takes a lot of risks

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"I take a lot of risks and I do a lot of things that maybe are questioned a lot, but I have total confidence in my abilities, so I guess that's most important," Smith said. "I get like very, very hyped because I did do something good or something maybe that I should not have done, and then it'll work and then I'll know that coach is upset, but it was a positive, so we

got a positive out of it, so coach is just satisfied that everything worked.

"But then again there's that play that if it don't work, it's just like, I'm going to the bench, I'm about to get destroyed."

It's hard not to laugh at Smith, a 160-pound lightly-recruited prep school player who often has a big smile and loves to answer even the most mundane questions.

After Louisville advanced to the regional semifinals, Smith mugged for the cameras during Pitino's live shot on the are-

na floor and gave his coach bunny ears before Pitino finally pulled him to the side.

"He has a unique ability to score, but he has no clue how to play the game," Pitino joked. "So the first thing we had to do is, 'OK, Russ, let's go from eight ridiculous shots a game to five to three. Now let's get — because we're going to the Final Four — to one, two.' And he's done that. So he has bailed us out of more situations this year with his play."

Another time in practice this year, Smith got a compliment on a pass he made

during a scrimmage — from himself.

"All of sudden I hear, 'Great pass, Russ!' And it's from Russ. He said, 'Great pass,'" Pitino said. "I yelled down, 'Russ, you're not supposed to compliment yourself.' His response was hysterical. He said, 'I just wanted to beat my teammates to the punch.' He has a way of just constantly loosening up the team, and he can even talk in the third person and it's funny."

Teammate Kyle Kuric said he hardly noticed Smith's decision to compliment himself because it's so

typical.

"I really didn't think anything of it," Kuric said. "It really didn't register to anybody else until Coach said, 'Russ, you can't compliment yourself.'"

He'll get compliments from other people if he can replicate his recent performances or his 30-point game against Kentucky.

Smith finished with 19 points in Louisville's 72-68 West Regional final victory over Florida, but also committed four of the Cardinals' six turnovers — including two in the final 2:25 after point guard

Peyton Siva fouled out. The Gators couldn't convert either of them into points and Louisville held on to finish its memorable rally.

Florida coach Billy Donovan called Smith's play "crazy" with some of the things that he does on the court.

An endearing description? Certainly.

"If Coach Donovan calls me crazy," Smith said afterward, "then I guess I am crazy."

His next adventure awaits Saturday in New Orleans.

THOMAS: steps down after one year

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that can teach them to be young ladies and teach

them basketball. We need someone that will be there for awhile."

The goal, though, would be to have the new coach in place by the end of the school year. The summer is such an important time,

Bauer said, that it's needed for the girls to get to know the coach and for the coach to earn the girls' trust.

"That's the ideal thing," Bauer said. "Our summer plans are already in place. Last year, they worked on

individual skills and development and that worked well. We need to finalize a couple of things and maybe add a team camp. But I feel pretty confident about our summer schedule."

Although he's disap-

pointed to be walking away after a year, Thomas said he thought the program took a step forward this year.

"I think we got better as the year went along," Thomas said. "I had a good

coaching staff and they worked extremely hard. We got better as a team. I'd like to see more 'Ws' but that didn't happen."

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GUMM: considered U of L, Tennessee

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A six-time All-State Girls' Golf Team honoree and the state's four-time Miss Golf, Gumm has also been selected the Player of the Year on the annual *News-Enterprise/Coaches* All-Area Girls' Golf Team a record six years running.

Last season, Gumm recorded top-two finishes in all nine tournaments, won six events and finished as the runner-up in three other tourneys. Not to mention, she recorded a 61 — in her second consecutive round at the event, no less — in the Kentucky Invitational Tournament at Russell Springs' Lakewood Country Club.

Gumm was also recruited by Louisville, Tennessee and Mississippi, among

other programs.

The Tallahassee temperatures were in the 80s all three days in January when Gumm visited and after her trip, she chose not to visit another school.

"They say that when a visit pops out at you like that, then that's where you should be," said Gumm, who earned International Junior Golf Tour victories this winter in South Carolina and Georgia. "I really liked their team and I really liked their coaches. They have a top-five practice facility in the nation and it was just an awesome place."

One of Central Hardin coach Chris Adams' first memories of Gumm is watching her chip and putt — in the dark — on the practice green following the first round of the 2005 KHSAA State Tournament at Ledbetter's Drake Creek Golf

Club.

"It's great to see it all pay off for her," Adams said. "I'm glad I was around at the KIT the first time she shot a 61."

Adams, who has coached three D-I signees in Karisa Akin (Middle Tennessee State), Morgan Cross (Murray State) and Caitlyn Wilkerson (Western Kentucky), said playing at Florida State will help an already dominant player improve that much more.

"That is awesome news and an awesome decision for her," Adams said. "The rest of the world is in trouble if Lydia can play golf for 12 months a year on a decent golf course, and I mean that as no disrespect to Lincoln Trail. But when you can play in Florida and play year round, it makes a huge, huge difference in your game."

While the Atlantic Coast

Conference is considered to be the best collective grouping of teams in women's collegiate golf, Hartlage said Gumm shouldn't have much problem modifying her game to fit the Seminoles' needs.

"She's had a remarkable short game for so long. Plus there's her strength and her

length off the tee. She just has the total package," said Hartlage, who's also the girls' golf coach at Elizabethtown High School.

"I have no doubt Lydia will be successful on the Division-I level."

Gumm wasn't sure she so easily agreed with Hartlage, but said her fu-

ture wouldn't be determined by a lack of effort.

"I don't know about the success, but I'm going to work as hard as I can," Gumm said. "I'm definitely going to work hard and hopefully it will lead me to good things."

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has good teaching techniques. Technique and the strategies of the game, that's his strengths."

For the past two years, Catlett has served as the Kentucky Heartland Volleyball Club director and he's been a coach for the past four years, helping Elizabethtown players and former region standouts Beth Cecil (Bardstown Bethlehem), Maddie Lewis (Central Hardin) and Shauna Stone (Nelson County) have success and improve their games.

Barnes said principal Steve Smallwood sent the recommendation to hire Catlett within the last two weeks. Barnes said they interviewed two candidates and Catlett stood out because of his overall experience and expertise in the sport.

"We've been in this business a long time and had volleyball a few years. It's absolutely a hard thing to do to find a highly qualified volleyball coach. You will find people that will be sponsors, coach your volleyball team. But looking to find some

body that's going to make you and keep you competitive is a tough thing to do," Barnes said. "We feel very fortunate to have Bart apply for the position because of his knowledge base, the way he works with kids and his experience, experience also as a player."

The Lady Panthers will be a young group next season. Elizabethtown will graduate eight seniors off this year's team — Alison Blaiklock, Erin Burch, Lindsey Clement, Darian Ditto, Rebecca Hinkle, Kimberly Morris, Mary Beth Russell and Shequille Squire.

Catlett thinks young may be good, though. He can mold them into the type of team he wants — one with a little faster pace. That will start at the end of April when players can attend open gyms.

"I used to play volleyball at a pretty high level. This area, unlike Louisville, isn't exposed to volleyball the Catholic schools in Louisville play," Catlett said. "I think Central Hardin has done a good job of playing a different brand of volleyball than what is around here. I think that's the same thing I want to expose to Elizabethtown and bring up."

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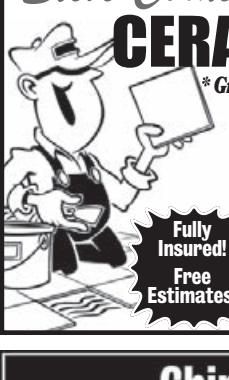
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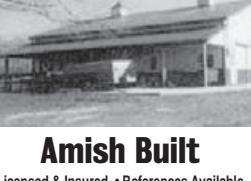
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12	Emanation	42 Frequent-ly, in verse	4	Owns	25 Ostrich's cousin
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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: SOME PEOPLE ARE TOTALLY CRAZY ABOUT A CERTAIN SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY. I CALL THEM BRAZIL NUTS.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: T equals I

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Monday's unlisted clue: LEVEE

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Tuesday's unlisted clue hint: MASHED OR BAKED

Bagel Cornbread Frying Rum
 Biscuits Crab legs Pancakes Toast
 Breads Eggs Popcorn Waffles
 Corn on the cob Fish Rolls

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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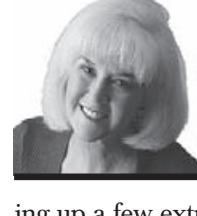
Answer:

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: GUESS CROWN FALLEN LIQUID
 Answer: Their choice of Leonard Nimoy to play Spock was this - LOGICAL

From your closet to their home



HINTS FROM HELOISE

Dear Heloise: With spring-cleaning time approaching, please keep nursing homes in mind for donations of clothing.

Many people arrive at nursing homes with virtually no clothing. Perhaps they have lived alone for many years, have no family, have little money, etc.

For women, tops and bottoms, especially washable elastic-waist pants, sweat shirts and pants, pull-on washable sweaters, button-front or pull-on blouses, etc., are needed.

For men, washable pants, shirts, sweat shirts and pants, socks, belts, cotton T-shirts, white undershirts and T-shirts, pull-on shirts and lightweight jackets.

Also welcome are pull-on and lace-up comfortable shoes for men and women.

Seasonal sales are going on, so please consider picking

up a few extra items appropriate for someone in a nursing home. Both men and women need underwear.

Generally, elastic waists and easy-fitting clothes work best. Everything should be washable.

Call around to find a nursing home with needs. Generally, the activities director or one of the administrators can help.

If your closets are overcrowded, the needs in a nursing home can help fix the problem. — Rita from Belton, Texas

■ Your letter speaks volumes, and I know my readers will take action. I'd love to hear from facility admin-

istrators with more input.

SAFETY SIGN

Dear Heloise: I recall years ago receiving a paper placard that one could carry at all times in the glove box, to put in the back window if stranded. It said "Call Police."

Not only would the police be notified immediately by possibly many 911 calls, it also would scare off any predators, knowing police were on their way. A person could make his or her own sign to carry. — Suzanne L., Monmouth, Ill.

■ Suzanne, thanks for the reminder. "Call Police" signs are on the Internet, and there are sunshades that have "Call Police" on one side.

■ ID-PROTECTION IDEA. Dear Heloise: Here's one more reason to buy a shredder for your identity protection. Did you know your phar-

macy is a source for your personal information?

You normally get a print-out with the prescription showing your personal information. You always should shred the paper part of the prescription. And, if possible, peel the label off the bottle and shred it as well. — A Reader in Arkansas

CUTTING IT CLOSE. Dear Heloise: I hate the feel of tags in my shirts and blouses. After ruining a blouse by cutting the tag too close, I began rounding the corners of the tags. It works great. I don't know they are there. — Anne M., Florence, Miss.

■ Use a seam ripper to carefully cut the stitches on the tag.

Write to Heloise at P.O. Box 795000, San Antonio, TX 78279-5000, or fax to (210) HEL-OISE. King Features Syndicate Inc.

ENTERTAINMENT

Cowell's security staff confined the intruder to a bedroom until police arrived and found her in the wardrobe.



COWELL

■ Absence made the heart grow fonder for "Mad Men" fans, who flocked to the fifth-season premiere in record numbers.

AMC network said Sunday's premiere telecast drew 3.5 million viewers. That marks a 21 percent growth over season four's premiere. AMC said Monday the cumulative audience for the night's two airings of the debut episode was 4.4 million viewers.

The audience had been kept waiting for 17 months after "Mad Men" aired its fourth-season finale.

The Associated Press

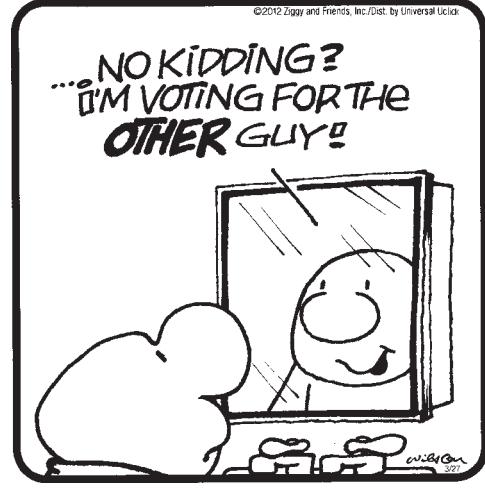
TELEVISION

TUESDAY EVENING March 27, 2012

Cable Key: E-E'town/Hardin/Vine Grove/LaRue R/B-Radcliff/Fort Knox/Muldraugh/Brandenburg

E	R	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	
HCEC	2	25	2	High School Basketball		HCS Chalk Talk	Classroom	News/Views	Issues					
WAVE	3	6	3	WAVE 3 News at 7 (N) (CC)	WAVE 3 News at 7:30 (N) (CC)	The Biggest Loser	Truck-loading challenge. (N) (CC)	Fashion Star	The designers create summer trends. (N)	WAVE 3 News at 11 (N)	(35) The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (CC)			
WHAS	11	4	11	Entertainment Tonight	Inside Edition (N)	Dancing With the Stars	The Story So Far (N) (CC)	Dancing With the Stars (N) (Live)	Outbreak of a lethal virus. (N)	WHAS11 News 11 (N)	(35) Nightline (N)	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (CC)		
WLKY	5	5	5	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N) (CC)	NCIS: The Good Son	The team investigates a murder. (N)	NCIS: Los Angeles "Vengeance"	The death of a Navy officer. (N)	Unforgettable "Allegiances"	Carrie's boyfriend has ties to a case. (N)	WLKY News at 11:00PM (N)	(35) Late Show With David Letterman (N) (CC)	
WDRB	12	9	12	The Big Bang Theory (CC)	The Big Bang Theory (CC)	Raising Hope (N)	I Hate My Teenage Daughter (N) (CC)	New Girl "Fancy Man (Pt. 2)"	Breaking In (N)	WDRB News at 10 (N)	(45) WDRB Sports	Two and a Half Men (N) (CC)	30 Rock "Corder" (N) (CC)	The Big Bang Theory (CC)
WBNA	6	21	10	Criminal Minds	A killer who strikes before Halloween. (CC)	Criminal Minds	Serial killers targeting exotic dancers. (CC)	Criminal Minds	The body of a kidnapped woman is found. (CC)	Flashpoint	A woman holds another woman hostage. (CC)	Word Alive Hosted by Pastor Bob Rodgers.	The Hour of Healing (N)	
KET2	8	15	14	Music Voyager	One to One	Inside Fenway Park: An Icon	Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story	Earthshaker	Earthshaker	Charlie Rose (N) (CC)		Tavis Smiley (N)		
WMYO	16	10	16	The Office "Chair Model"	Cold Case "Willkommen"	Shooting of a local cabaret singer. (CC)	Cold Case "Beautiful Little Fool"	Family Guy "Fat Guy Strangler"	Family Guy (CC)	Frontline "Murdoch's Scandal"	Legislative	World News	GED Connection	
WBKO	13	13	13	Wheel of Fortune	Dancing With the Stars (N) (CC)	Dancing With the Stars (N) (Live)	NCIS: Los Angeles "Vengeance"	King of the Hill (CC)	King of the Hill (CC)	Whas10 News 10 (N)	(35) Nightline (N)	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (CC)		
KET	9	13	4	PBS NewsHour (N) (CC)	Jubilee (CC)	American Experience	Frontline "Murdoch's Scandal"	Family Guy "Fat Guy Strangler"	Family Guy (CC)	It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia (N) (CC)	It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia (N) (CC)	It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia (N) (CC)	It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia (N) (CC)	It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia (N) (CC)
WBKI	7	7	17	The People's Court (N) (CC)	90210 "Blue Ivy"	P.J. asks Naomi to be his wife. (N) (CC)	Ringer "Let's Kill Bridget"	Bridget decides to testify. (N) (CC)	King of the Hill (CC)	Whas10 News 1				

Ziggy/Tom Wilson



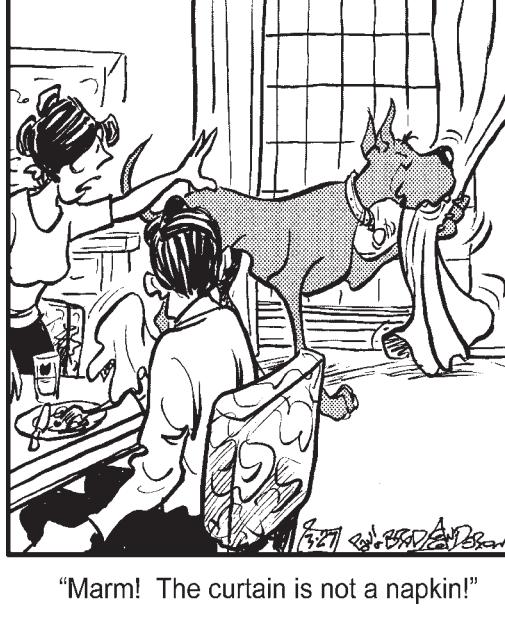
Family Circus/Jeff Keene



Free Range/Bill Whitehead



Marmaduke/Brad Anderson



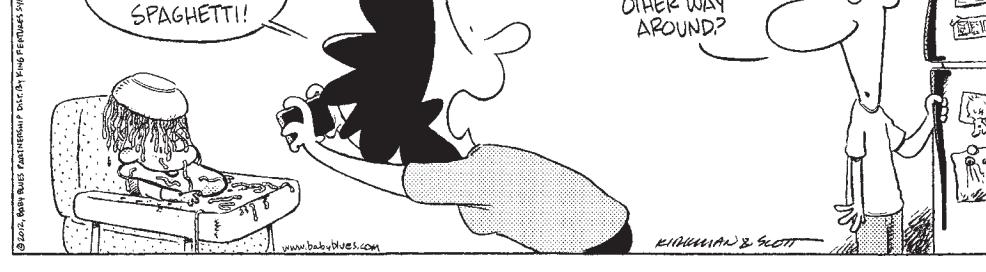
Dilbert/Scott Adams



DeFlocked/Jeff Corriveau



Baby Blues/Jerry Scott and Rick Kirkman



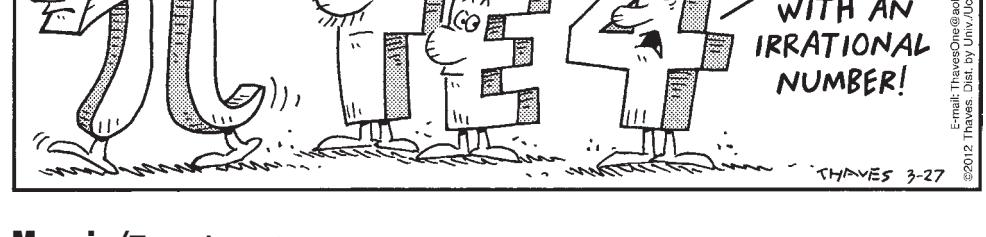
Zits/Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



Stone Soup/Jan Eliot



Frank & Ernest/Bob Thaves



Marvin/Tom Armstrong



IN THE STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Your emotions will interfere with your judgment, especially when it comes to money matters, job choices and secret affairs. Don't jump into something without getting all the facts first. Patience will be needed if you want to come out on top and avoid unnecessary losses. If you have to use force, don't bother. Your numbers are 4, 12, 19, 27, 31, 40, 47.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Put a hop into your step and finish projects that are gathering dust. It's difficult to move forward with so much clutter, literally and figuratively. A clear passage will lead to better decisions and greater progress. ☀️☀️

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Offering help is likely to lead to being taken advantage of you if you aren't careful. You'll learn a valuable lesson if you watch the way a pro takes care of other people's business. Social activity will enhance your love life. ☀️☀️

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't be too quick to respond. Taking your time and assessing the situation will help you avoid making a mistake based on false information. Question anyone or anything that confuses you. Put your money and possessions in a safe place. ☀️☀️

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Try something new and expand your outlook, friendships and future interests. Make personal changes that will raise your confidence and give you the push you need to do things you've been afraid to pursue in the past. ☀️

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Sign up for something that interests you. A course, a challenge or some form of self-improvement will help you make a choice regarding your next move. Don't let anyone push you in a direction you don't want to go. ☀️☀️

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Put greater emphasis on relationships, but don't let your heart confuse you when it comes to money decisions. Changes at

home must be cost-efficient if they are going to ease your stress. Love and romance are in the stars. ☀️☀️

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): It's what you do and how you treat others that will bring you positive returns. Anger or impulsive action will lead to trouble with authority figures and peers. Don't start something you cannot finish. Stick close to home. ☀️

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Live, love, laugh and be happy. Work to improve your home, family and financial life. Love is in the stars and finding solutions to any problems you face will be easy if you share your thoughts and work with worthy contributors. ☀️☀️

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Too much of anything or anyone will go against whatever you are trying to accomplish. Organize and prepare for what's ahead with a realistic outlook and gather the data to back the decisions you make. Strength and courage prevail. ☀️

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You've got all the right moves. Look at your options and call in favors if it will help you get what you want. Apply pressure and show your strength and willpower. Success can be yours, but it demands time, effort and dedication. ☀️☀️

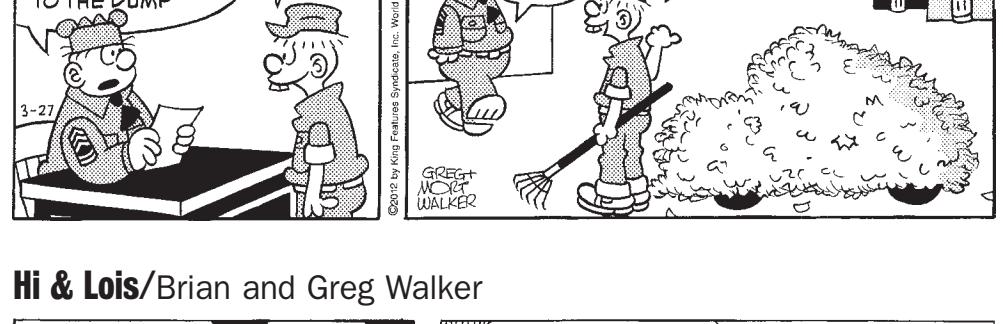
Peanuts/Charles Shultz



Garfield/Jim Davis



Beetle Bailey/Mort Walker



Hi & Lois/Brian and Greg Walker



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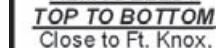
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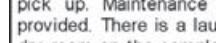


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